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Britain Likely To Quit Palestine By May 1

CHANGE IN DATE OF TERMINATION OF MANDATE

London's 'Get Out In Time' Warning To Nationals

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 19.

It is considered probable that the British mandate will, in effect, terminate in Jerusalem by May 1, 1948 and not May 15 as originally planned. The life of Palestine administration is draining away swiftly. It is recognised that it may not be able to function after May 1, even if High Commissioner continues to occupy the Government House.

'GET OUT' WARNING TO BRITONS

JERUSALEM, April 19. (Reuter): Britons in Palestine were told by their own Government to-day: get out as soon as possible; you are on your own after May 15.

Simultaneously, Hagnah forces in Tiberias, Northern Palestine, were setting up a "Jewish State", proclaiming independent rule after they had evacuated all Arabs from the town.

The Hagsnah commander there said that British authorities had also moved out, leaving administration entirely to the Jewish militia.

The "get out" warning to Britons came from the Palestine Government, which announced that London has been concerned over the possible fate of British nationals after the mandate is ended on May 15.

GRAND MUFTI FOR AMMAN

JERUSALEM, April 19. (U.P.A.): Arab sources today reported that the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Mmin el Husseini, was 'en route' to confer with King Abdullah of Transjordan, who had said that that he would send his Arab Legion into Palestine.

Beirut dispatches said that Arab forces had entered two strategic points in north Palestine in their incessant 'jockeying with the Jews for position.

Fighting was reported anew at Neve Yakov, three miles north of Jerusalem, where an Arab Legion convoy was engaged by Jewish fire yesterday.

ARAB EVACUATE TIBERIAS

TEL AVIV, April 19. (U. P. A.): Thirty bus-loads of Arabs roared out of the Biblical city of Tiberias today under heavy British escort as the Haganah seized more strong points in the area.

The Arab evacuees were destined for the nearby Nazareth.

British forces protected the Arab buses until they crossed Gemah and the Majami bridge over the Jordan river.

U. N. DEBATE

FLUSHING, April 19. (U. P. A.): The United Nations General Assembly today ordered its Political and Security Committee to begin debate immediately on the United States move to impose United Nations trusteeship on Palestine.

BARODA PEOPLE WANT DR. JIVRAJ

BARODA, April 19. (A.P.I.): A special meeting of the Baroda State Praja Mandal summoned here this evening to consider the constitutional reforms announced by the Maharaja of Baroda on April 11 requested the Maharaja to invite Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta of Amreli to form an interim Government and assume the office of the Dewan in that Government'

GOOD LEAD FOR GASPERI PARTY

Italian Elections Go Against Communists

ROME, April 19. (Reuter): As first unofficial returns in Italy's general elections began to trickle in tonight, police mounted heavy machine-guns in the hallways of each of two entrances into the Rome Radio building.

The move followed rumours that the Fascist Italian Social Movement were calling up strong arm and squads to fight off a possible attempt by Communists to seize the station.

First unofficial Senate results from one Vehicle centre and from a Rome district put Premier Alcide De Gasperi's Christian Democrats well in the lead.

Figures were: Venice centre:—Christrian Democrats 441 votes. Socialist Unity Party 110. Popular Front (Communist group) 64.

Rome district:—Christian Democrats 344 votes. Popular Front 59, Monarchists 29.

Christian Democrat candidates, spearhead of the anti-Communist parties, held the lead some hours after the counting of the ballot papers began in Italy's first general election for 25 years.

First results are unofficial and fragmentary and apply only to the Senate, but Alcide de Gasperi's Christian Democrat Party organ, "Il Popolo", came out with a special edition to-night with big headlines: "first results of great victory of Christian Democrats can be seen."

Signor Attulio Piccioni, Party Secretary, told Reuter: "This is a victory without precedent".

In Milan, left-wing stronghold, results for the first 140 sections for the Senate, showed the Christian Democrats with 54,733 votes; popular front 35,521; Socialist Unity Party (Right Wing Socialists supporting the Government) and Republicans (Liberal Government supporters led by Count Sforza, the Foreign Minister) in joint candidature 19,817.

First results from Florence and Turin also showed the Christian Democrats with a good lead.

There was no chamber results available at 10 p.m.

COLOMBO, April 19 (Reuter): Mrs. Kusuma Gunawardena becomes the second woman to be member of Ceylon's Parliament, being returned unopposed when nomination papers for the bye-election to the Avissawella seat in the House of Representatives were received today.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

NEW YORK COTTON JULY

NEW YORK, April 19.

Previous closing	36.88
Today's opening	37.05
Difference	+17
Today's closing	37.31
Difference	+43

LAST QUOTATIONS

Bombay, April 19.

Cotton Jarila May	Rs. 677	0	0
Silver Bullion forward	Rs. 170	14	0
Silver Chamber	Rs. 171	0	0
Gold forward	Rs. 116	8	0
Sovereign	Rs. 75	0	0

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, April 19.

Stock Exchange opening Prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 37-1|8.
General Motors 56-3|8.
United States Steel common unquoted.
United States Steel preference unquoted

ANOTHER ATOMIC WEAPON TESTED

WASHINGTON, April 19. (Reuter): With a secrecy in marked contrast to the stage-managed atom bomb test at Bikini in 1946, the United States has hit the Eniwetok Atoll area in the Marshall Islands with another atomic weapon, it was announced today.

The announcement by the United States Atomic Energy Commission said it would not be in the interests of security to make further disclosures.

Stop Press

NEW TURN IN COSTA RICA'S CIVIL WAR

WASHINGTON, April 19 (UPA).—The State Department said today that Nicaraguan tropos crossed the frontier early Monday, intervening in Costa Rica's civil war and that the United States had protested against the action.

TO INCREASE U.S. GASOLINE SUPPLYL

CHICAGO, April 19 (UPA).—Three oil scientists today reported a Chemical discovery that they said would increase the United States gasoline supply by 25 per cent and provide more fuel oil for home heating.

NANKING GAIN

NANKING, April 19 (Reuter).—Chinese Government troops under General Fu Tso-Yi have captured two Communist bases of Austing and Ipsien in North Hopei, in the last 24 hours.

U.N. CONFERENCE ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AT GENEVA

Members of Indian delegation. Left to right Mr. S. A. Brelvi; Mr. D. B. Desai and Sir Ramaswami Mudaliâr leader of the delegation.

U.N.O. Assembly Admits Burma As Member

POLITICAL COMMITTEE TO TAKE UP PALESTINE ISSUE TO-DAY

FLUSHING MEADOWS, April 19 (Reuter): The United Nations General Assembly unanimously accepted Burma as a member of the United Nations today.

Dr. P. P. Pillai permanent Indian delegate to the United Nations, in supporting Burma's application for admission to the world organisation, told the General Assembly "throughout the entire period of recorded history India has maintained the closest and most cordial contacts with Burma."

"Some 2,000 years ago Burma adopted the teachings of Goutama Buddha, greatest of India's sons, and our common pursuit of peace and righteousness as enjoined by him has forged between India and Burma a link not merely of good neighbourliness, but also of the closest spiritual and cultural kinship."

"The political separation that took place in 1935 far from causing any estrangement between us has only accentuated the feelings of mutual esteem and affection. When India attained her independence last August the Burmese were among the foremost to rejoice over that consummation. And we in India, who regard our independence as only the first step in the political emancipation of other countries of Asia still under foreign domination, were looking forward to the day when Burma also would attain the same political status. It was, therefore, with the keenest satisfaction that on January 4 the Government and people of my country welcomed Burma as an independent member of the comity of nations."

"That Burma fulfils all the conditions necessary for admission to the United Nations is clear from the fact that her application has been unanimously approved by the Security Council.

"The strategic position that Burma occupies in that part of the world does not need any stressing; the experience of the last war has demonstrated this only too painfully. Further, she is the principal food supplier to her neighbours such as India, Malaya and China, and is the main air route between East and West.

"For these and other reasons it is in the general interest of the United Nations to admit her in our midst and India, therefore, earnestly hopes that Burma's application for admission will be granted by a unanimous vote of the General Assembly."

Burma's Ambassador to Washington, expressing gratitude for the support of the Assembly, said it was auspicious that Burma should have had the opportunity so soon after its re-emergence as an independent nation to contribute to the work of building world peace and the progress of mankind.

PALESTINE ISSUE TO BE TAKEN UP TODAY

After Burma had been formally admitted to the United Nations, the President, Senor Jose Arce, adjourned the Assembly and announced that the Political Committee would take up the Palestine question at its first meeting tomorrow at Lake Success.

NO PRESS CENSORSHIP IN BURMA

RANGOON, April 19. (Reuter): The Burmese Government announced today there would be no censorship of Burmese newspapers and withdrew bill giving censorship powers over the local press.

RAIDERS RETREAT AFTER BATTLE

Indian Patrols Rescue 1,040 Rajauri Nationals

JAMMU, April 19. (A.P.I.): One thousand and forty nationals of Rajauri, including 300 Muslims, held by the raiders as hostages, have now been recovered by our patrolling columns and rescue parties, and are being resettled in Rajauri.

Our patrols around Poonch area engaged a party of raiders who were well armed with medium machine-guns and 3 inch mortars. After a pitched battle, the raiders were forced to retreat from their strongly-held hill positions. In this engagement 55 raiders were killed and wounded.

In the forward Jhangar area our troops captured a dump consisting of 50,000 rounds of small arms ammunition, 2 inch and 3 inch mortars. Our troops engaged in clearing mines in an encounter with raiders in this area, killed 23 and wounded 30 of them.

Aircraft of the A. I. A. F. were active over Jhangar area. Raiders concentrations were strafed with good results.

INDIA REJECTS U.N. PLAN ON KASHMIR

LAKE SUCCESS, April 19. (Reuter) Mr. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, for India, told the Security Council today that it was not possible for India to agree to the latest joint proposal for settling the Kashmir dispute.

Chiang Elected President By Overwhelming Vote

China's First Constitutional Head In 4,000 Years

NANKING, April 19. (U. P. A.): Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek who has been President of China's destiny since the death of Sun Yat Sen was elected today by an overwhelming majority as the country's first constitutional President in 4,000 years.

Overriding the Generalissimo's own appeal that "someone else be given the honour", the delegates to the National Assembly cast 2,430 secret ballot votes for Chiang and 269 for Chu Cheng, President of the Judicial Yuan.

The Generalissimo became the nation's new chief executive as Communist armies were reported preparing for a new and possibly decisive Manchurian offensive.

NO PROPAGANDA FOR RE-UNION

Indo-Pakistan Agreement

MEASURES FOR FAIR DEAL FOR MINORITIES IN BOTH DOMINIONS

CALCUTTA, April 19, (A.P.I.): The agreement reached by the Dominions of India and Pakistan at the five days' session of the Inter-Dominions Conference held in Calcutta was announced at a press conference held today by the leaders of the two delegations, Mr. K. C. Neogy and Mr. Ghulam Mohammed.

The agreement lays down that the responsibility for the protection of the minorities rests on the Government of the Dominion in which the minorities reside. It adds that in Pakistan and in India every citizen shall have equal rights, opportunities, priviledges and obligations, and there shall be no discrimination against the minorities whose cultural and religious rights shall be fully safeguarded. The agreement proposes the creation both in East Bengal and in West Bengal of a Provincial Minorities Board and District Minorities Boards under them, for protecting the interests of the minorities, removing fears from their minds and inspiring confidence in them .Evacuee property Management Boards will be set up in districts or areas from which a substantial exodus has taken place.

TEXT OF AGREEMENT

The following agreement has been signed by both India and Pakistan at the Inter-Dominion Conference held in Calcutta from April 15 to April 19:—

"Whereas the Governments of the Dominions agree that the mass exodus of the minorities is not in the interest of either Dominion and they are determined to take every possible step to discourage such an exodus and to create such conditions as would check mass exodus in either direction and would encourage and facilitate, as far as possible, the return of the evacuees to their ancestral homes, the two Dominions agree as follows:—

The responsibility for protecting the lives and property of the minority

(Continued on Page 5)

NO RESTRICTION TO CARRY DAGGERS ETC.

Except Where Banned Locally

The Government of Bombay removed some time ago restrictions imposed on the possession and carrying of swords, sword-sticks, kukris and kirpans within the Province of Bombay. It has now decided to remove all restrictions imposed under the Indian Arms Act and Rules on the possession and carrying Life Preservers such as the 'Zipo', 'Steel Baton' 'Steel Hunter' and similar articles, daggers, bayonets and dharias, subject to the bans imposed by local officers on the carrying of arms and sharp-edged weapons and the other articles in their areas

Brelvi For London

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, April 19.—Mr. S. A. Brelvi will reach London on May 3 after visits to Brussels and Amsterdas.

Journalists propose to hold a reception in his honour.

BOMBAY, April 19. (A.P.I.): Dr. Amarnath Jha, Vice-Chancellor of the Benares Hindu University to-day left by plane for Quebec 'via' New York to attend the Rotary International Governors' Conference.

Production of ALUMINIUM
FROM THE BEST BAUXITE OF C.P.

ACQUISITION OF BAUXITE PROPERTY The richest bauxite deposits in India, near Katni, C. P. have been secured for the company under agreement for indefinite supply of ore with the option to purchase.

FOREIGN COLLABORATION: SOCIETE ANONYME POUR L'Industrie de Aluminium of Lausanne, Switzerland one of the oldest manufacturers of the Aluminium have agreed under contract to give all technical assistance including the services of expert technicians and making technical secrets available.

PRIVILEGES: Government of C.P. and Berar, offer special privileges under agreement.

SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT

1. The Govt. declare themselves as Promoters of the Company in conjunction with the other Promoter, Mr. Walter Dutt, who makes over his huge Bauxite properties to the Company.
2. The C.P. Govt. subscribe to 60% of the 2½ crores ordinary share capital of the company.
3. The C. P. Govt. to nominate 3 members as representatives on the Board of Directors of the Company.
4. The C.P. Govt. have 51% share in the Managing Agency—Hind-Alco Ltd.
5. The C. P. Govt. to take immediate steps for land acquisition for the company's factories and other structures.
6. The C. P. Govt. to provide at their own cost such roads as may be considered necessary by the company for its work.
7. The C. P. Govt. to use their good offices for providing suitable railway sidings.

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VALUABLE PRIVILEGES UNDER AGREEMENT

THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT
after careful examination of the scheme have promised full support and co-operation and have nominated the Director General, Industry and Supply as a director to the Board of the Company.

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Representation of the Upper India Sugar Exchange Ltd., Kanpur in the matter of the imposition of Sales Tax in respect of forward contracts.

TO THE HON'BLE PREMIER, UNITED PROVINCES, LUCKNOW.

Respectfully sheweth:—

1. That the Upper India Sugar Exchange, Ltd., (hereafter to be referred as the Exchange) is a registered company having its Memorandum, Articles of Association and Byelaws.

2. That the Exchange has got its Trading members and approved dealers who deal among themselves under the Byelaws of the Exchange. A copy whereof is enclosed.

3. The transactions as between the Trading members and Approved dealers of the Exchange are duly registered in the office of the Exchange and the Exchange guarantees the fulfilment of such transactions and for acting as a guarantor for the fulfilment of the contracts gets a commission at the rate of as. 4 per bar.

4. That the Exchange deals in contracts not only relating to sugar but also in contracts relating to Bullion bars. In fact when sugar was controlled the main business of the Exchange was confined to the registration of forward contracts of Bullion bars entered into between its members and approved dealers.

5. That forward contracts are of the very essence of trade in bullion and that appears to be the reason why the forward contracts were exempted from the operation of Sales Tax in other Provinces. Strictly speaking the forward contracts relating to all goods were not included in the definition of Sale in the Act in force in other Provinces.

6. That in contrast to the practice prevailing in other provinces where the Sales Tax was imposed, the sale of bullion bars has not been exempted from the levy of sales tax in this province in the Act—as passed by the legislature. But it appears that the proposal to exempt the sale of this commodity from the payment of Sales Tax in exercise of the powers reserved with the Govt. under section 4 of the Act, is now under the active consideration of the Government. In this connection the Exchange craves leave to draw the attention of the Government to the proviso attached to the aforesaid section of the Act, which provides that nothing contained in section 4 shall apply to transactions of forward contracts. This would mean that even when the sale of certain goods is exempted from the payment of sales tax by the Government in exercise of the powers vested in them under section 4 of the Act the forward contracts relating to the same goods will be subject to the operation of sales tax. Surely, this could not be the intention of the Government as it would create an anomalous position which could never have been in the contemplation of the Government when this proviso was added to section 4. As submitted above in bullion trade forward contracts are of the essence of the trade if sale of ready bullion goods alone are exempted and forward contracts relating to the same goods will be subject to the payment of sales tax, the bullion trade will be prejudicially affected and the Exchange apprehends that it might lead to a complete deadlock of the trade.

7. That the Exchange understands that the proviso which now exists in section 4 of the Act did not find place in the Bill as originally framed and passed by the U.P. Legislative Assembly. It was added when the Bill was considered by the Council. The Exchange believes that this amendment was accepted by the Government in haste without realising fully its import and implications. If the Government had realised that the proviso would create the anomalous position described above, the Exchange feels that the above amendment would never have been accepted by the Government.

8. That it would not be only unreasonable but manifestly unjust and unfair to levy sale tax on forward transactions of bullion where the margin of profit is too low.

9. That there is another factor in connection with this matter to which the Exchange would like to draw the attention of the Government. It is a matter of familiar knowledge that a number of interim or intermediate transactions take place in respect of the same forward contracts of bullion before the Due Date arrives. If the Act is interpreted to mean the sale tax will be payable in regard to each and every intermediate transaction that it would result in the imposition of sales tax several times in respect of the same contract. In other provinces, as stated above, forward contracts in respect of all kinds of goods have not been included in the definition of sale and consequently they are altogether exempted from the operation of the sales tax. In Bombay it is expressly provided that tax shall not be levied on the sale of any kind of goods at more than one such stage. In the humble opinion of the Exchange there seems to be no justification for departing in this province from the wholesome practice that prevails in other provinces in regard to forward contracts being exempted from the operation of sales tax. The Exchange respectfully submits that in order to save the bullion trade from immediate stagnation in this province it is absolutely essential in public interest that the sale of bullion goods including forward contracts relating thereto should be exempted from the operation of the sales tax in this province also.

10. That if the forward contracts relating to bullion goods are not exempted from the operation of the sales tax and the tax is made payable at every stage in regard to intermediate transactions also the prices of gold and silver are bound to rise at each transaction as the dealers in every transaction will include the amount paid by them as sales tax in the price and thus the burden of all this taxation at each stage of the transaction will ultimately fall on the consumers which will not be in the best interest of the general public.

11. That traders dealing in forward contracts in the province generally transact business outside the province in order to cover their deals. The Exchange in this connection respectfully submits that the imposition of sales tax on forward contracts of bullion in this province, while forward contracts of bullion are exempted from the payment of sales tax in other provinces, will lead to their stoppage of intra-provincial dealings, which it is apprehended, will result in the shifting of the bullion trade from this province to Bombay, Calcutta and other places where no sales tax is leviable on such forward contracts.

For the reasons and circumstances set forth above it is prayed that the Government will be pleased to take effective and immediate measures to remedy the grievances of the traders in bullion, as set forth above by making suitable provisions in the Rules or, if necessary, by amending relevant provisions in the Act.

We beg to remain,
Sir,
Yours Most Obediently,

For and on behalf of the members of and the Upper India Sugar Exchange Ltd.

MANEKLAL H. PARIKH
Chairman

UNITED COMMERCIAL BANK MAKES SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS

Steady Increase In Deposits And Profits

The United Commercial Bank Ltd., in their Balance Sheet for the year 1947 which has been published has been able to report further increase in Deposits and Profits. Deposits amounted to Rs. 34.55 crores which is better by Rs. 2.53 crores than at the end of 1946. Time Deposits improved from Rs. 10.02 crores to Rs. 12.13 crores, while Demand Liabilities were better by about Rs. 42 lakhs only. Bills for Collection improved from Rs. 1.15 crores to Rs. 2.56 crores, while Letter of Credit, Guarantees etc., on account of customers declined to Rs. 2.47 crores from Rs. 4.35 crores. Advances receded to Rs. 13.66 crores from the last year's figure of Rs. 16.41 crores owing to the restrictions that the Bank was obliged to impose in respect of Advances in view of the disturbed conditions that ruled in the country. Investments in Government securities were, therefore, much higher and stood at Rs. 22.56 crores as against Rs. 14.09 crores in 1946. It is to be noticed that these have been valued at or below market rates. Cash Balances remained nearly the same as last year.

The Gross and Net Profits of the Bank increased from Rs. 98.91 lakhs and Rs. 29.63 lakhs in 1946 to Rs. 1.22 crores and Rs. 36.21 lakhs respectively during 1947. Provision for Taxation and Transfer to Reserve Fund have been fixed at Rs. 10 lakhs each. The provision for Bonus to the Staff has been kept at the level of last year, viz., Rs. 2.5 lakhs and a maiden dividend of 3 per cent. to shareholders has been recommended. The amount carried forward stands at Rs. 11,51,617 against Rs. 3,80,201 last year.

During a period which has admittedly been one of anxiety and uncertainly. The United Commercial Bank Ltd., has been able to show such substantial progress in its working on account of the timely steps taken by it, before the serious disturbances in the west Punjab started. It has managed to reduce its Advances there to about Rs. 30 lakhs only, which is less than 10 per cent. of its maximum Advances in that area during 1947. This has been accomplished by repayment of debts or transfer of securities and the Directors claim rightly that it clearly proves the highly liquid nature of the Bank's Advances. The Bank has fully protected itself in regard to the outstanding Advances of Rs. 22.71 lakhs in West Punjab by insurance against riots and civil commotion. In addition, the Bank has been able at the end of this year to recommend the payment of a maiden dividend of 3 per cent. Though the Pakistan Government prohibited the taking away of the books of the Bank's Branches in that country, the Bank has been able to reconstruct the accounts of those Branches with the help of the duplicate records it arranged to maintain of such Branches. The Bank has also been able thereby to present a complete Balance Sheet for 1947 and to meet the demands of its Pakistan depositors.

A number of the Bank's Branches in Western Pakistan have had to be closed due to the disturbances. Several new Branches have been opened, notably one in Rangoon, which represents the first venture of the Bank beyond the borders of India.

AGA KHAN CUP FOR KIRKEE SIDE

Railwaymen Fail To Score

BOMBAY, Monday.

KIRKEE UNITED 3
B. B. & C. RAILWAY 'A' 0

The Blue Riband of World Hockey, the Aga Khan Cup was won by the Kirkee United this evening when they beat the first string of the B. B. & C. I. Railway by three goals to nil.

In many respects the final was not quite as keen as was generally anticipated by the large crowd that had gathered to witness what promised to be a grim battle for supremacy. The biggest crowd of the season, was, however, disappointed to find that the local side hardly ever fought back after being down by one goal in the fifteenth minute of play.

Even in the ranks of the winners, the inner trio apart, there was certainly no distinguished performance worthy of special mention. The three forwards, however, more than compensated for the lack of brilliance amongst the rest of the side. The Nimal brothers as well as the Kirkee side's new find Gabriel wove patterns around the deep defenders who did not play half as well as they did during the previous matches.

Both Jadhav and Ismail Khan had a bad day and did hardly anything right. The all-important first goal, scored by centre-forward D. N. Nimal was the result of hesitation on the part of deep defender Ismail Khan who did not rush out early enough to save the goal. The second goal, in the second half, scored by Gabriel was also the result of Jadhav's inability to clear an easy ball. The third goal of the match was scored four minutes before the final whistle by inside-left G. N. Nimal.

The Railwaymen seemed to find the intermediate line of the opposition a great stumbling block. Time and again the forwards failed to get past this line and many an impressive move was thwarted. On the left wing G. Fernandes did not acquit himself quite creditably, often fumbling good chances of running down the line. Kishen, the main goal-getter of his side was much too well marked to be of any assistance to his side.

It was in the intermediate line of the losers that most of the blame for the Railwaymen's forwards' inability to be effective should rest. Agre, Joginder and Dias, played far too back to be of much use to their forwards who were as a rule left to fight their own battles.

Cyriaco D'Souza, a great player of the past in a short speech, before distributing the prizes, pointed out the reasohs for the declining of the standard of hockey as compared with that obtained in his days. The deep defenders as well as the custodians had resorted the unfair tactics of stopping the ball at all costs, often with their body. The practice, Mr. D'Souza said, must be dealt with firmly by the umpires who should send a player off the field after giving him one warning if he adopted such tactics. He termed present hockey as 'all whistling and no hockey'.

THE TEAMS

KIRKEE UNITED: Shinde; Malellu and Darekar; S. Christie, B, N. Nimal and Martis; Jalgaonkar, Gabriel, D. N. Nimal, G. N. Nimal and F. Xavier.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY 'A':—Pearce; Jadhav and Ismail Khan; Agre, Joginder and Dias; Mullen, Kishen, Lazarus, Saxby and G. Fernandes.

REFEREES: Messrs. J. B. D'Souza and Vishwanathan.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Disgusting Behaviour By Players And Spectators

BY J. C. MAITRA

I was thoroughly disgusted with the sordid show put up by Faridkot Hawks in their replay against the B.B. and C.I. Railway in the quarter-finals of the Agaa Khan Cup Hockey Tournament on Wednesday. From a team which has travelled more than a thousand miles to take part in our premier competition, I expected behaviour above all reproach in addition to their display of superlative hockey. But their game was not only discoloured by unscientific and unpolished methods, but marred by tactics which were most reprehensible.

The climax came, however, after he match when some of their players—prominent among whom was their bulky custodian,—rushed towards a section of the spectators and tried to whack them with their sticks!

A FRACAS AVERTED

But for the timely intervention of the police, there might have benn a fracas or riot. We are thankful to all concerned that the situation was promptly brought under control and nothing untoward happened. Nevertheless the unsporting behaviour of the players concerned deserves to be severely condemned.

I am prepare to grant that some of the remarks of the spectators at the northern and eastern sides were most objectionable. But that was no reason why these players should have tried to take the law into their own hands. The best thing for them to do was to lodge a complaint with the Tournament Committee after the match was over, and awaited its result. Now they have courted the displeasure of everybody.

SPECTATORS GUILTY

With the Hawks, the spectators concerned were equally guilty. They have no right or justification to abuse the players on the field, however unpalatable their play or methods may be. It is for the umpires in charge of the game to take necessary action. In fact they made the task of the officials more difficult by their abuses and threats. They must never do it again and spoil Bombay's fair name.

I must add to the credit of the Railway players that they kept their heads cool throughout and did not resort to methods of the type employed by their opponents. On the other hand they concentrated on winning the game anyhow.

UNMETHODICAL AND DISORGANISED

On the run of play, B.B. might have well carried away the verdict. They played a more methodical and systematic game than their formidable rivals. Were it not for the "war-like tactics" of Dharam Singh and Trilochan Singh, the Faridkot full-backs,—by which I mean of course the old saying, "everything is fair in love and war"—the Railwaymen would have emerged triumphant out of the play.

The fight might have told a different tale altogether if the Hawks' forwards—particularly Jaswant Rai, their inside right, had stuck to positional play. By roving all over the field, he upset their team-work completely. I hope that the second replay would see a return to sanity and temperate exchange of compliments.

Roofing Tiles From India

SYDNEY (Reuter): Sufficient tiles to roof about 350 houses are expected to arrive from India within the next five weeks. They have all ben sold in advance to Sydney and Newcastle builders. Executives of two importing firms stated that some subsequent shipments had also been sold.

Mr. S. H. Bussell, of S. H. Bussell and Co., Sydney, said his firm hoped to obtain between three and four million tiles from India by Christmas. The average home required about 2,000 tiles. A roof of Indian tiles would cost about £15 more than one of Australian tiles. The Commonwealth Government had waived import duty of 30 per cent and primage of 10 per cent.

Australian Consolidated Industries Limited has registered a firm styled "Redondo Tile Company (Aust.)" for the purpose of manufacturing glazed wall and floor building tiles. This is a result of a recent visit to the United States by the managing director who successfully negotiated an agreement with Redondo Tile Co. California, by which the Australian company receives exclusive benefit of the patents and secret process connected with the American Company's industry.

Australian Consolidated Industries Limited has announced that there will be no issue of new capital for the project, as the company has funds available.

Holkar—Ceylon Match Ends In Draw

COLOMBO, April 18 (A.P.I.)—The match between Holkar and Ceylon Cricket Association ended in a draw as no play was possible today, the third and last day of the match—owing to heavy rain which continued from yesterday night until this evening.

LONDON:? (IPS) Princess Elizabeth's jewels will be put in a London Safe deposit. There were recently several big scale jewel robberies near her new home in Sunningdale and precautions will be taken.

£4,000 For Broken Neck

SYDNEY (Reuter): James Hodson, aged 27, who broke his neck while performing as a circus clown at Biloela, Queensland, in June 1946, was awarded £4,000 in the Sydney Supreme Court.

Hodson had claimed £5,000 from his employers in an action alleging negligence.

Hodson told the court that he and another clown, Robert West, were doing an act in a circus ring. He and West were supposed to run towards a chair and collide back to back. West bumped toward the end of the run and he (Hodson) instead of colliding with West, fell. Someone then jumped on him and fractured his neck.

Hodson added that he had earned his living in circuses from the age of nine until the accident. He had not worked since.

Robert West said in evidence that Hodson arrived at the point for the back to back collision too early.

Czech Tennis Body Declines English Invitation

Sequel To Cancellation Of Football Fixture

LONDON, April 18 (Reuter): Jaroslav Drobny has been a popular figure in British lawn tennis events but enthusiasts in England are wondering whether he will be seen in action here following the reported declining by the Czechoslovakian Lawn Tennis Federation of an invitation which has been extended. This was sent from the English Lawn Tennis Association inviting Drobny and V. Cernik to play in the British Hard Court Championships at Bournemouth starting on April 26 and full expenses were guaranteed.

It is learned, however, that the two stars, together with Miss Straubeova who was another popular figure at Wimbledon Championships are to compete in Italy and cannot get to Bournemouth.

It is known that Drobny was keen to come to England and was confident of doing well at Bournemouth, regarded as one of the world's outstanding hardcourt events. Behind the non-acceptance of the English invitation there may be no disagreement between the two national bodies (the Czechs are still members of the International Federation) but there are those who are prepared to regard it as being tied up with the cancellation of the England versus Czechoslovakia football match.

RAF Champ Howard Walton—Tennis Enigma

LONDON, April 18 (Reuter)—For more than two years, Howard Walton, 31-year-old Royal Air Force lawn tennis champion, has striven to achieve the honour recently bestowed upon him—that of representing Britain in the Davis Cup. He is expected to play singles together with Tony Mottram in the first round tie against India at Harrogate, Yorkshire, starting April 22.

It has taken him two years to break down the selectors' prejudice towards his entirely unorthodox style, although his tournament record as a whole has been good, while on hard courts he has been outstanding. Having been overlooked so often in the past Walton is frequently called Britain's "forgotten star."

He competed in eight tournament singles finals in Britain last season, winning four of them, but it was his splendid performance in winning the Paddington (London) tournament last week, when he beat India's two leading cup players—Sumant Misra and Dilip Bose—that left the selectors with no choice but to include this tall, lean, bespectacled Birmingham player in the Cup squad.

Walton is something of a lawn tennis enigma. He has never had a tennis lesson in his life and first learnt the rudiments of the game from a four-penny pamphlet. He is a player without the semblance of "classic strokes", yet he gets results. Tennis coaches wince almost every time they see him hit the ball. Many people liken his shots to those of a table tennis player, and this, together with his habit of playing the ball off the wrong foot, makes him appear something of an oddity on the courts.

The secret of his success lies in his untiring energy, his natural tactical ability and his perfect match temperament.

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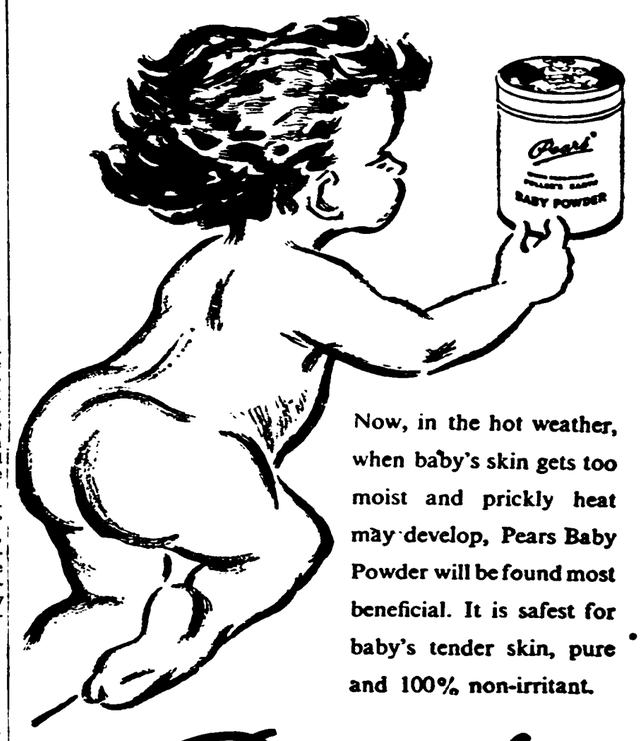

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Hightide: 09-35, 21-58
Lowtide: 03-36, 15-35

To-day's Engagements

SRI RAM NAVAMI MAHOTSAVAM: Music concert by Mrs. Rama Hariharan at 8-30 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) at Gandhi Chowk, Vile Parle West. Miss T. P. Meenakshi (violin) and Mr. R. Parameswara Iyer (mridangam).

B. P. W. C.: Bombay Presidency Women's will be "At Home" at 6 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) at Y.W.C.A. Hall, Mayo Road, Fort, in honour of newly elected women corporators and women members of Schools Committee, and Mrs. Irani, Municipal Labour Officer. Mr. Edward T. Clarke, Vice-President and Treasurer of Movement for World Federation, will address members for 15 minutes during the Social.

SO-ED CLUB: Mr. E. T. Clarke, Vice-President and Treasurer of the World Movement for World Federal Government will address the Club on "World Government" at 9 p.m. to-day (Tuesday) at Y.M.C.A., 12 Wodehouse Road. Visitors are allowed.

GIRGAUM CONGRESS COMMITTEE: Congress Corporators and Congress workers in "D" Ward will assemble at Cona Hotel Nekadwari Lane, Girgaum Road to-day (Tuesday) at 8 a.m. and will visit Kandewadi area.

GATHA SOCIETY: Meeting today (Tuesday) at 6 p.m. at K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, Apollo Street, Dasturji Framroze Bode, will expound Gatha Yasna Ha 34.

M. P. C. C. To Meet In Bombay

POONA, April 19 (API).—A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee will be held in Bombay on April 26 to consider the political situation in Maharashtra.

CHEMISTS' EXHIBITION

Members of the Drug and Pharmaceutical Trades are invited by the Organisers to visit the 48th. Chemists' Exhibition, London, which will be housed this year from September 20th., 24th. next in the Central Hall, Westminster, S.W.I. Admission can be obtained on presentation of trade card.

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TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, Tuesday:
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GODHRA TREASURY

A Huzur Treasury for the Panchmahals District with headquarters at Godhra has begun to function from April 1, 1948 and the Sub-treasury at that place has been closed.

A. I. C. C. Press Conference

There will be a Press Conference at the West End Hotel today Tuesday at 10 a.m. The Chairman of the Accommodation Committee appointed by the B.P.C.C. for the A.I.C.C. members will explain the arrangements made for their lodging and comfort. The West End Hotel is next door to the Central Government Buildings to the north on its eastern front. Shri S. K. Patil, President of the B.P.C.C. will be present.

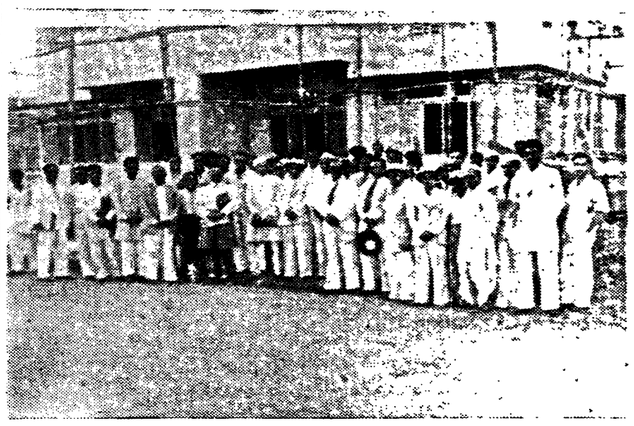
A.I.C.C. PUBLICATIONS ON SALE

During the A.I.C.C. Session publications of the A.I.C.C. Office will be kept for sale in a stall in the Zhenda Chowk, Gandhinagar. The publications will be in English, Hindi and Urdu. Booksellers, who wish to purchase stock, are requested to contact Gandhinagar or the Congress House, Bombay.

HOSTS FOR SECOND DAY

Shri Kishandas Maganlal Shroff and Shri Dharamdas Hargovindas have kindly undertaken to be the hosts for refreshments at the Pandal for the A.I.C.C. Members on the second day, i.e., 25th instant. The B.P.C.C. expresses thanks to these friends.

Journalists Visit Hutments



AUDIO-VISUAL EDUCATION IN BOMBAY PROVINCE

The supply of 16 mm. sound projectors and educational films import and local production of such films and their large-scale exhibition for instructional purposes constitute some of the features of the Bombay Government's audio-visual educational drive.

Nearly half the Government educational institutions have been equipped with 16 mm. sound projectors. More silent and sound projectors will be made available to the educational institutions in the Province.

The Government has appointed two Advisory Boards for Visual Education for organizing audio-visual education.

Council For Technical Education Meeting

BOMBAY, April 19.

The establishment of a School for Printing to provide specialised instruction in this line, advanced instructions in Highway Engineering, the constitution of Regional Committees of the All-India Council for Technical Education, the provision of facilities for the training of students Tele-communication Engineering in the All-India Radio, the training of personnel for the Merchant Navy in India, these are some of the subjects to be considered at a meeting of the All-India Council for Technical Education to be held at the Council Hall, Bombay, on April 22 and 23.

Mr. N. R. Sarker, Chairman of the Council, will preside.

HOUSING SCHEME OF BOMBAY GOVERNMENT

Journalists Taken Round To See Construction

Newspapermen were taken round on Sunday last to inspect the construction of buildings erected under the housing scheme of the Government of Bombay, at various places in city and Suburban areas of Greater Bombay

About 5,000 tenements of permanent and semi-permanent nature, are expected to be ready by the end of the current year. Out of these buildings, about 800 at Goregaum, 228 at Worli and 200 at Ghatkopar are likely to be ready to be allotted by next June. About 375 military huts ments at Machlimar and Kakori camps at Versova are now being reconditioned to be let out by next June. Thus about 1,600 tenements in all will be ready within a couple of months.

SOCIETY WEDDINGS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The marriage of Kumar Vijaya Narain Somani son of Seth Ram Dayal Somani will be celebrated with Kumari Geeta Devi Binani in Bombay to-day (Tuesday) at 5-30 p.m. at Madhobagh.

Kumari Kashalya Devi, daughter of Seth Onkarmal Somani, and Kumar Gwaldas Mohota will be married on Wednesday, April 21 at 6 p.m. at Madhobagh.

PETROL QUOTA REDUCED

Owing to the continued increase in New registrations of motor vehicles of all types, and in view of increasing demands for essential requirements, namely, Foodgrain Movements, Forest Department, Public Works Department (Central and Provincial) Works, M.E.S Works, Railway Works, Port Trust, Docks, Municipalities, District Local Boards and other Local Bodies and Refugee Transport it has been found necessary, in order to maintain an equitable distribution, and in order to meet essential needs without exceeding the petrol quota fixed by the Government of India for this province, to issue from May 1, 1948 the basic and other fixed petrol rations on the following scale:—

(1) Private cars and motor cycles
  (a) Basic: Half of the normal basic.
  (b) Supplementary: At the same rate as was issued for the months of March and April 1948.
(2) Bus Services: The cut of 20 per cent to be maintained.
(3) Goods Vehicles: A cut of approximately 33 1/3 per cent on the original issue.
(4) Taxis (other than Mofussil): A cut of 10 gallons per month.

In the event of the Government of India making available for this Province any addition to the petrol quota previously notified, the position will be further reviewed to provide all possible relief

The Government of Bombay has removed restrictions on the use of milk in the preparation of tea and coffee in hotels in Sholapur, Pandharpur and Barsi towns. The restrictions on the use of milk in the preparation of "mawa" and other articles, however will continue.

MOTORISTS AGITATED OVER PETROL CUT

W. I. A. A. President's Telegram To Government

Mr. V. C. Setalvad, President of the Western India Automobile Association, has sent the following express telegram to the Hon'ble Dr. John Mathai, Minister for Transport to the Government of India, regarding the proposed drastic cut in the petrol ration for the forthcoming quarter:

"Understand Central Government imposing further petrol cut effective next quarter stop businessmen and motorists greatly agitated over the proposed reduction in petrol quota which they strongly oppose as calculated to work great hardship on the motoring public and likely to aggravate the present acute transportation problem stop pray intervene to stop this in view of serious opposition."

"PREPARATION OF ILLICIT LIQUOR"?

BOMBAY Monday.

The Pydhonie Police unearthed a 'working still', in a room at Ibrahim Fattebhai Building, Curry Road, yesterday.

One Dattatrava was caught with two petrol tins full with liquor, and through him the place of production was located

A tenant, a neighbour and a bill collector were arrested on suspicion. The culprit, and the occupant of the room are still at large

The three arrested accused were released on bail, at Mazagaon today.

Misappropriation Charge

Arrest

Chandrabali Misra, Secretary, Bombay Suburban Cattleowners' Dairy Co-operative Society was arrested by the City Police yesterday and produced this morning before Rao Saheb C. B. Velkar Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, on a charge of manipulating the Society's accounts and misappropriating its funds

The police stated in Court that the Society's auditors had detected that he had made a false and fraudulent entry of Rs 13/3 in respect of certain sale proceeds totalling to more than Rs 1,015; they had also discovered another cash shortage of Rs. 1,309-13-6

The Magistrate directed the accused to be released on bail

Import Of Foodgrains In Excess Of Permit Alleged

The Bombay C.I.D checked a car bound for Greater Bombay, at Jogeshwari Gheck Naka yesterday, when it was found to carry 26 and odd paylees of food grains, out of which, the Police alleged 10 paylees were in excess of what was permitted.

Ebrahim Moosa and two others seated in the car were taken into custody.

At Mazagaon, the three accused were released on bail, to-day.

Boy Killed In Bus Accident

A boy aged 12 was knocked down and killed by a BEST bus, on Colaba Road, this morning

Enquiries as to the cause of the accident, are being instituted by the City Police.

Ahmedabad Vegetable Market

The Government of Bombay has directed that the area within a radius of 12 miles from Ahmedabad will be the market area from June 1, 1948, in respect of potatoes, suran, tomatoes, onions, leafy vegetables, turmeric, ginger, garlic, coriander and chillies.

The Government has also fixed the boundaries of the Ahmedabad market (proper) and the market yard and has asked the Collector to appoint the Agricultural Produce Market Committee to regulate the purchase and sale of vegetables and condiments.

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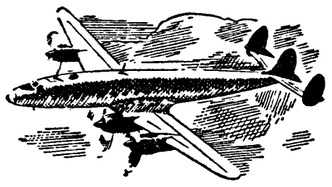

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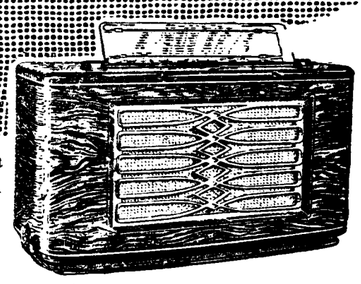

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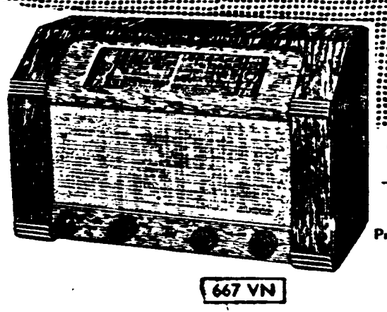

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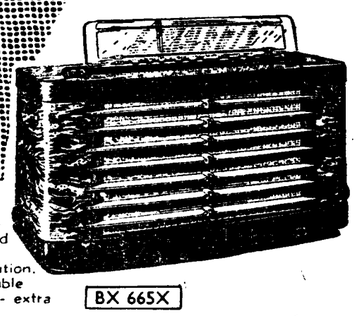

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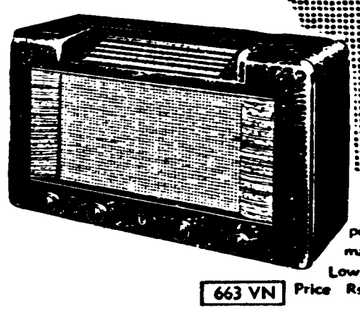

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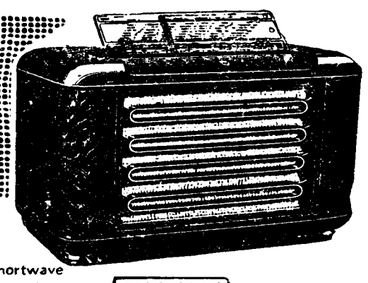

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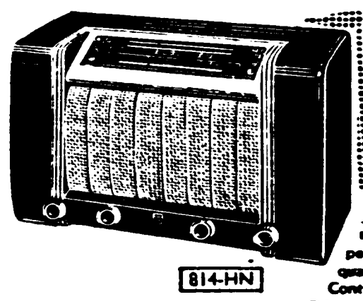

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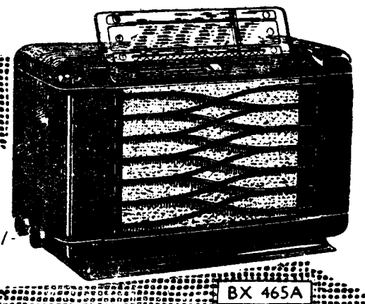

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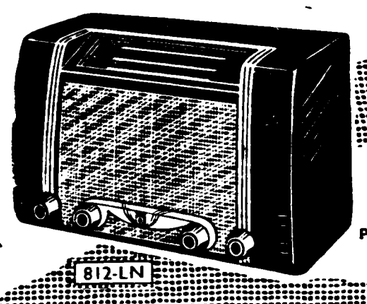

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—EMERSON.

MINORITY PROTECTION

The minorities agreement arrived at between representatives of India and Pakistan after five days' discussion at Calcutta provides a good starting-point for considering the whole subject. It marks the common ground between a State which is by declaration and conscious effort a secular administration, and a State which has a definite religious and communal bias. For this reason, it is unsatisfactory as a charter for minorities. A secular State is pledged to eliminate all distinctions between man and man. Where groups of men are concerned, it is the primary duty of a secular State to ensure that the various groups develop along, not against the grain, of their common nationalism, and to see that, in so developing, no one group imposes its prejudices and preconceptions on the others. Progress towards a single nationalism might be uneven but the opportunities for such progress must be the same for all. India is still far from this ideal but it is the goal that her leaders have set themselves and the nation. The objective of Pakistan is very different. It is possible, as her leaders have said, that minorities will be well looked after in Pakistan but their sense of separateness will continue so long as Pakistan does not declare itself a secular State. If the agreement is studied against this background, it becomes obvious that the same set of words convey different meanings to the leaders of the two States. For example, when it is said that the minorities in a Dominion are the responsibility of that Dominion, it is likely to convey less to Pakistan than to India. It is this duality which has necessitated a detailed enumeration of minority rights later in the agreement. The setting up of a machinery for frequent consultations, too, may be taken as a sign that the negotiators are not completely satisfied with their achievement.

The Pakistan Government has apparently used the Union's anxiety for minorities in Pakistan to secure its frontiers. Propaganda for reunion is to be discouraged. The meaning of this provision is not clear. The Socialist Party of India asserts that the two Dominions must come together and that they will only under Socialism. Is this to be taken as propaganda for reunion, and the Socialists asked to reframe their policy and programme? The most that Government negotiators can demand is an official assurance. That Pakistan has already been given. How can the Union Government be asked to suppress all propaganda for reunion, even from non-official quarters? Since the negotiations were carried on in Calcutta, the leading personalities must have known that not very long ago Mr. Rajagopalachari, Governor of West Bengal, himself said the two Bengals would be united, within ten years. Pakistan has indulged in a mischievous trick in tying up the minority question with non-reunion. It knows very well that what it has to fear is reunion agitation among the members of its majority community not in its minorities. And for that the driving force will come not from agitators in the Union but from within Pakistan itself. By inserting this clause Pakistan has unconsciously disclosed its theory of Government. What has been left unsaid in the general political sphere, is made explicit in the references to the press, once again the scapegoat of men in power. The Agreement is to be followed by fresh restrictions on the press to be evolved after consultation with newspaper representatives.

The burden assumed by the two Governments will prove beyond the capacity of a democratic Government. Unless the Union Government gives up its objective of a democratic state and settles down to frank totalitarianism, it will find it impossible to implement the Agreement to the satisfaction of Pakistan. And the Union will be dragged down lower and lower. In the ultimate analysis, the security of the minorities will depend on the detailed provisions set out for their protection in the Agreement. And these could not be better drawn up. The safeguards provided at every stage ought to ensure fair treatment and to convince minorities of the good intentions of their Governments. The relevant part of the Agreement lies in the broad hint to minorities not to look beyond the territory they live in for succour, coupled with the assurance that their difficulties will be sympathetically handled by their Governments. In view of past happenings, the value of this assurance will depend on the active steps taken to implement it and on the working of the safeguards. No one who has had reason to fear the intention or ability of his Government, will risk further disillusionment on the strength of a few promises. And neither the Union Government nor the Pakistan authorities can force unwilling peoples back across the frontier. The Agreement stresses the fact that each Dominion must assume responsibility for its minorties. Let them set about discharging that responsibility faithfully without looking to the coercive or persuasive weapons of the other Dominion. What is needed is not sealing the frontiers, as the Agreement tries to do, but keeping the people in a Dominion satisfied and confident.

No Retreat

The suggestion that India should withdraw from the United Nations, is not a happy one. After all, the Union Government paid the Security Council the compliment of referring the Kashmir controversy to it not because it had great faith in the fairness of U.N. but because it believed that internation disputes should be settled by international opinion. If India should now decide to withdraw from U. N., then the impression abroad will naturally be that she is a bad fighter, a poor loser and one who easily flees from an encounter. At any rate, the six-nations resolution is no adequate reason for getting out of U. N. Representing as it does, the compromise struck between six different views, it is obvious that no one delegation subscribes wholeheartedly to the terms of the resolution. Therefore, the resolution is susceptible to criticism and, if the Indian delegation works hard and skilfully, it will be an easy task to demolish the resolution. It is the task of India's representatives at U. N. to establish the unsatisfactory nature of the resolution. Withdrawal from U. N. will have the opposite effect. And, for that reason, this is not the time for withdrawing.

It does not follow, however, that India should tamely accept the terms of the resolution. In spite of the persuasions of the press and politicians of other countries, the Indian delegation must stand firm on rejection. If the diplomats at Lake Success helplessly plead that there is no alternative, then it does not follow that the six-nations resolution is inevitable. It only means that India is asked to humour the sponsors by accepting the proposal. When the Union Government made the reference to the Security Council, it was an appeal to international reason. The Union cannot now indulge in the luxury of pulling U. N. chestnuts out of the fire. Moreover, the plebiscite idea was not U. N.'s but India's; and it is a mockery of justice to treat India with suspicion because she suggested a people's vote to record the people's views. The Security Council must be faced squarely with this question nor must it be allowed to evade the fact that India is in Kashmir at the request of the established State authority whilst Pakistan is there unacknowledged, unadmitted and against the wishes of the Kashmir Government. It must be pointed out to the Security Council that the conditions which it seeks to introduce in Kashmir, will impose fresh hardships on the people. And, if the Security Council is unmoved by these arguments, India's case must be presented to the peoples of the world so that the inherent weakness and indecision of the Security Council might be known and corrected before it is too late. The Union must go forward and not retreat into isolation. There will be time enough to consider withdrawal when it has been established that the Security Council is incapable of improvement and education.

EDITORS PROTEST AGAINST NIZAM'S GOVERNMENT

"Indiscriminate Banning Of Newspapers" Alleged

NEW DELHI, April 19. (A.P.I.): The Standing Committee of the All-India Newspaper Editors Conference met to-day at 2-30 p.m. in the Constitution Club. Shri Devadas Gandhi presided.

The Committee paid its homage to Mahatma Gandhi, all members standing.

The Committee heard reports from the provinces.

As regards Madras, the President was authorised to write to the Chief Minister and see how best the working of the Press Advisory Committee could be restored so as to ensure harmonious relations between the Government and the press in that province.

PUBLIC SAFETY MEASURE.

There was a short discussion on the Public Safety Measures Amendment Act of Bombay.

The Committee adopted a resolution protesting against the action of the Hyderabad Government intended to intimidate press correspondents and also their indiscriminate banning and seizure of newspapers suspected to contain unpalatable news in regard to the position in that State.

In response to the invitation from Czechoslovakian Government, the Committee recommended three Indian journalists to attend the 11th Sokol Festival at Praha in the first week of July.

A.I.N.E.C.'S NEXT SESSION.

It was decided to hold the next annual session of the A.I.N.E.C. at Bombay between July 22 and 25, the actual dates to be fixed by the President.

The Directors of the United Press of India entertained the members of the Committee at a tea party.

In the morning, directors of the press trust of India and members of newspaper delegation which is to proceed to England in middle of May to negotiate with Reuters board for taking over Reuter and A.P.I. Organisation in India met the information secretary Mr. N. C. Mehta, I.C.S., and Mr. V. Shanker, Secretary to Sardar Patel, information Minister they had a general discussion on what the delegation would do while in England.

In the afternoon a meeting of the Newsprint Advisory Committee was held.

WAY TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE

BOMBAY, Monday:

A "popular global referendum" leading to a World Constituent Assembly was held as the only guarantee of international peace by Mr. Edward T. Clark, American Treasurer and Vice-President of the "World Movement for World Federal Government" who addressed newspapermen here today.

On a world-wide mission to stimulate interest in world Government, Mr. Clark said one of his objects was to obtain delegates and observers to the annual convention of the World Movement to be held at Luxembourg in the coming September. The idea took shape when delegates and observers from 23 countries met in France in August last year when they drew up the Montreaux Convention which proclaimed that the mobilisation of the peoples of the world to bring pressure on their Governments and legislative assemblies to transfer the UNO into a world federal Government was one of the steps towards securing stable international peace. The movement, it was there decided, should thrive on the unofficial and concerted action of the representatives of the peoples of the world."

Mr. Clark said that appeals were also made to the parliamentarians of the various countries to support the Movement and expressed satisfaction at the response evidenced. In the final phase of the Movement, the world's parliamentarians are to be summoned to a World Preparatory Convention which will be transformed into a Constituent Assembly for drawing up the "world constitution" which Mr. Clark fondly pictured as bringing "lasting peace and prosperity" after ratification by the nations.

Mr. Clark read a long letter to him from Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, whom he met in New Delhi, and said he got the Prime Minister interested in the Movement.

"The only solution (to the problems of the world) is world Government," Pandit Nehru wrote to Mr. Clark and expressed the view that the real difficulty was how to tackle the psychological and economic barriers that came in the way. The Premier declared that Indian public opinion was willing to support any movement towards world Government.

Greece, Egypt, Turkey and Pakistan which Mr. Clark visited before reaching this country were described by him as enthusiastic supporters of the Movement. He announced that Mr B. Shiva Rao, Member of the Indian Parliament, will be convener for a national organisation in India.

HUNGER-STRIKE IN JESSORE JAIL

7 Under-Trial Politicals Protest

JESSORE, (East Bengal), April 18. (A.P.I.): In pursuance of their decision already announced, seven undertrial political prisoners in the Jessore Jail commenced hunger strike from yesterday as a protest against some of these prisoners being placed in division "three".

These men were arrested in connection with the recent language movement in the District.

PLAN FOR WORLD GOVERNMENT

Constituent Assembly Envisaged In 1950

NEW DELHI, April 19 (AP1): The members of the All-Party British Parliamentary Committee which recently drew up a plan for a crusade for world Government, has now decided to extend the "crusade" overseas on as wide a scale as possible. The parliamentary Committee it is understood, intends to send the scheme to members of Parliaments of other countries.

The plan envisages a World Constituent Assembly in 1950 Among the first group of candidates for election to the Assembly are Sir John Boyd-Orr and Lord Beveridge. The plan will be modified according to the needs of the various countries as far as the system of selecting the representatives for the peoples convention is concerned.

Dr. Stanley Jones, well known preacher, now in Delhi has been invited by the Committee to serve in the board of sponsors. Dr. Jones has agreed to the proposal.

"GERMANY IS DEAD FOR 100 YEARS"

But Shadow Of Communism Is Moving Forward

CAPETOWN, April 19 (Reuter). Field Marshal Jan Smuts the South African Premier, told the British Empire Service League Conference here today:—

"Germany is dead, possibly for the next 100 years, just as she was dead for 150 years after the Hundred Years War.

"It is a dreadful thing that has happened. It is my conviction that we shall not hear of the German menace for many a year.

"Poison has been taken out of that menace to civilisation.

"Communism has not been dealt with yet, he added.

"It has been strengthened by the recent war and, just as Nazism had, has one of the greatest powers behind it. That great power is spreading in Europe as never before in history. You see fear gripping men's hearts and minds.

"Germany is out of the way, and now we see this shadow moving forward."

WILL PEACE PREVAIL OR BE FLOUTED?

Truman's Poser To World

WASHINGTON, April 19. (Reuter): President Truman declared today that the great issue of the present was whether the universal longing of mankind for peace and freedom would prevail, or whether it was to be flouted and betrayed.

"This is a truth the whole world should take to heart—the basic requirement for peace and understanding is the will that peace and understanding shall prevail", he said.

President Truman was addressing a joint session of Congress in observance of the 50th anniversary of Cuba's independence after 400 years as a Spanish possession.

Lewis Found Guilty Of Contempt Of Court

WASHINGTON, April 19. (Reuter): Mr. John L. Lewis, leader of the American United Mineworkers, was found guilty of contempt of court today in a case arising out of the recent strike of 400,000 soft coal miners.

Judge T. Alan Goldsborough ruled that Lewis and the United Mineworkers were guilty of both civil and criminal contempt.

Mr. Lewis was accused of ignoring a recent court order to end the coal strike which lasted 29 days.

The Judge announced he would pronounce sentence tomorrow.

National Institute Of Science

NEW DELHI, April 19 (API).—The foundation-stone of the building of the National Institute of Sciences of India, was laid by Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Earlier in his address, Sir Shanti Swarup, the President of the Institute, said that a great deal was still to be done in this country to bring fundamental and applied science into closer co-operation.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

PARIS, April 18: M. Robert Schuman, French Premier, told a political meeting today that France had received 238 million dollar worth of goods free from America, since the end of December.

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May we suggest a final paragraph to the Six-Nation resolution on Kashmir.

And NINETEENTHLY, to sum up briefly, we have studied with the profoundest sympathy India's complaint that Pakistan's aggressive interference directly and indirectly through tribal raiders and otherwise, with the territorial integrity of Kashmir and the rights of the Kashmir Government and the Indian Union was most irregular. We agree with India's case and have exerted our best effort to redress India's grievance by outlining the most honest, objective and fair method and machinery for Regularising the whole situation.

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Headline to the Six-Nation Kashmir achievement: "NEW DRAFT RESOLUTION".

Why not drop the middle "R"?

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Dr Alfonso Lopez, the Chairman commended the resolution as "a very mature expression of the Council's willingness etc., etc".

Very well roasted would be much better.

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General MacNaughton, the Canadian delegate, assured India and Pakistan that the "resolution represents the best advice, which completely objective and fair-minded thought could bring to a difficult problem"

Considering the object at the back of the Six-Nation mind, the thought was certainly "completely objective"

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Mr. Noel-Baker, the sympathetic Briton, urged that "in view of some, war might have happened had not greater wisdom brought the dispute to the U.N"

And India is paying to that wisdom of its.

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The British Government Mr. Noel-Baker declared, "believed that the proposals made for a plebiscite were bold and fair".

Bold and daring as any modern make-up

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The best achievement of Mr. Noel-Baker however, was his plea to ignore "too meticulous details on paper", because "in Government, it is the spirit behind the paper that counts"

We fully and completely agree. Haven't we had experience of so many British "papers" for decades and decades?

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The British Commission, we read has completed its inquiries into the Anglo-Russian air collision over Berlin and will issue an official statement later.

Which will be followed by a Russian official statement. But the collision we are glad to say, will be verbal involving no immediate human tragedy.

DEMOCRACY OF CRICKET

Don Bradman's Praise For Indian Team

LONDON, April 19, (Reuter): India's cricket team which toured Australia last year was today held up as a shining example of democracy by Don Bradman, Australia's famous cricket captain, says Vernon Morgan, Reuter's Sports Editor.

Seldom can higher praise have been given to any cricket team than the Indian touring side, of whom Don Bradman speaking at a luncheon given to the Australian Cricket team by the Royal Empire Society, said, "They were a splendid example of the way in which a body of men sink their religious and racial difficulties and act together as a team. I hope business and political leaders will learn a lesson from the democracy of cricket. I believe this is a great example to us all".

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Get A Move On

One more plan for augmenting the food resources of India and increasing food production by 10 million tons in the next five years has been produced. This plan, the latest in a long series, comes from the Food Grains Policy Committee presided over by Sir Purushottamdas Thakurdas. The recommendations follow a familiar pattern although the details may be slightly different. On the basis of the present rations, India needs 44.4 million tons of foodgrains per year. Her production capacity is about 39.9 tons, the shortage being 4.5 million tons. This should be made good by building dams, rehabilitating famine tracts, and through modern methods of intensive cultivation and so on. Of course, all this is quite correct and should be done. But the real problem is not so much to plan as to get a move on. And the moment that starts several difficulties arise. One of these is our willing or unwilling adherence to outworn land tenures and property conceptions. We have heard of the T.V.A. and we want some river schemes like that. But what is forgotten is that the T.V.A. is not merely a marvel of technical engineering. It is a marvel of economic planning. What is the good of putting up huge tanks if, for instance a primitive land system clogs progress? What is needed is revolutionary thinking in the matter of redisposition of all agricultural land. A few collective or co-operative farms on newly cultivated land does not touch the fringe of the problem. The vast areas now being wasted — in some cases there are more bunds than fields — will have to be reclaimed for sensible use for the good of the community as a whole. A beginning has been made in Bombay through tenancy reform as well as schemes for the prevention of fragmentation and the consolidation of agricultural holdings. But this is far too inadequate in the light of the immensity of the problem. Subject to this, however, all plans for augmenting the food resources are welcome. Only too much time should not be wasted on the making of plans and the consideration of plans. The chief thing is to get a move on,— and that in a big way, even if it means making mistakes and having to correct them afterwards.

The Rajasthan Union

The integration of Udaipur in the Rajasthan Union is, in the words of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, "an event of historic significance." The annals of Rajasthan are replete with tales of heroism. Stories of dauntless valour, such as that of Rana Pratap of Mewar, have been a source of inspiration to India's sons and daughters. But today the people of Mewar are living a life, perhaps as hard as Rana Pratap and his small but devoted band of exiles lived in the wilderness. The chief towns of Rajasthan still present pictures of splendour and pageantry. But, in terms of economic development Rajasthan is one of the most backward tracts of India. It is rich in mineral resources and rich too in its potential agricultural possibilities. But its people are poor — poorer than the universally poor people of India. The historical needs of Imperialism preserved Rajasthan as so many pieces of administrative anachronism. The necessarily limited financial resources of the tiny units as well as the Jagirdari system — another mediaeval survival — made all economic progress impossible. But now, thanks to the courageous and far-sighted policy of the Government of India, Rajasthan has emerged from its romantic isolation as a strong and new unit of free India, with an area of 30,000 square miles and a population of 44 lakhs. Rajasthan still labours under many handicaps. It has no administrative machinery and is burdened with a pernicious socio-economic system. But Pandit Nehru has promised the government all possible assistance and there is every reason to hope that it will make up for lost time and try to fall in line with the more progressive provinces of India. In the case of Rajasthan as of the other state areas, its reintegration into a larger unit is but the first step in the regeneration of the land. The future of Rajasthan promises to be as prosperous and happy as its past has been glorious in Indian history.

Pakistan And Tribesmen

Addressing the other day a joint jirga of all the tribes across the North-West Frontier Province, Pakistan's Governor-General, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, gave the tribesmen assurances as to Pakistan's obligations towards them. He has promised them every possible help—financial and otherwise—to build up their economic life. Nationalist India, it will be recalled, had always demanded of the British authorities that the money wasted on trying to suppress the tribes military and subsidising Maliks should be utilised with better and more successful purpose in promoting the economic, social and educational advancement of the tribal people in general and that it should be done without trying to restrict their internal political freedom. British Imperialism had its own views and ultimate objectives. Therefore, it preferred the policy of military and political domination to one which, ensuring the progress and contentment of a self-respecting people, would also have served as the most effective guarantee of the Security of India's north-west frontier.

We are glad Pakistan's Governor-General has promised to adopt the policy always recommended by Nationalist India. The cost to Pakistan, in view of its poor resources, will be particularly heavy; that is, if the pledge is carried out in its entirety. But it would be an extremely beneficial investment if the leaders of Pakistan approach the tribesmen not only with money bags but also with a certain amount of imagination. Mr. Jinnah has said that he wants to put tribesmen "on their legs as self-respecting citizens...." and that his state has no desire to interfere unduly with their internal freedom. It is just here that imagination is required. Freedom to India and Pakistan has brought to the Pathan too a sense of his own free status, which Pakistan can ignore or repress at its peril. The Pathan wants—and there is no point in Pakistan leaders wilfully blinding themselves to this reality—a Pathanistan, not a sovereign state but an autonomous and loyal unit of Pakistan. If that is conceded without too much grudging, Pakistan may be able to solve its "Pathan" difficulties and gain a lot in the process. It will satisfy the people of the N.W.F.P. and may attract their tribal brethren too into one Pathan unit, homogeneous and strong, progressive and prospering and, therefore, a most valuable asset politically, economically and militarily to Pakistan.

Mysore's Need

Ever since Sir M. Visveswarayya first mooted the idea about 25 years ago, Mysore has always dreamt of acquiring Bhatkal and a 15 mile corridor to it and of developing it into a port. Mr. K. T. Bhashyam, a veteran Congressman and now a Minister in the first popular Government of Mysore, has gone on a mission to Delhi to reopen the question of Bhatkal. Mr. Bhashyam's patriotism is not in question nor the benevolent intentions of the Government of Mysore. In fact, Mr. Bhashyam has offered to hand over the Bangalore cantonment area once again to the Centre so that it could be developed into a first class military station. This fine gesture shows that the Government of Mysore is very much alive to the changed climate of India. A similar awareness of the changed circumstances should influence its desire to acquire Bhatkal or to develop it as a port. There is now nothing like an exclusive economic interest of Mysore—an interest whose promotion demands an outlet to the sea and the development of a port. Its interests cannot and ought not to be distinguishable from that of the vast hinterland of which Mysore is but a part. Therefore, the question of the development of a port should be decided on a basis quite different from the spirit which inspired the Mysore patriotism of Sir M. Visvewarayya. The Government of India has already appointed a committee to find out a suitable site for a big port between Bombay and Cochin. If on a consideration of all the issues governing such a choice, Bhatkal is found to be the best site for the purpose, nobody could have any objection to the development of Bhatkal. If in the committee's view another site serves the purpose better, it will have to be another site. In either case, the Government of India will undoubtedly take prompt steps to develop it. Mysore can co-operate in the development and can make the fullest use of it. But to hanker after an exclusive outlet to the sea is to be guilty of a feeling which is out of tune with the needs of todsy and tomorrow.

Pants & Politics

It is hard to believe that an innocuous and respectable piece of male attire, to wit, the pant, could acquire special political significance or become an issue of international conflict. Of course, it may have caused quite a few domestic scenes when some conservative fogey of a husband objected to his more forward spouse appearing in public in a pair of pants. We do remember Joan of Arc, who donned pants and was burned at the stake for her presumption. But the twentieth century Joan may, at worse, have to face a divorce proceeding. And we have no doubt that she would —with as much valour as the other Joan went to the stake—rather than submit to the dictation of a mere male in so vital a matter as the clothes she would wear. But now it seems the tables have been turned on her. According to a report published by the Russian-licensed newspaper "National Zeitung", women passengers flying from the Western Zone to Berlin will in future be asked to wear trousers for the flight. "This", the paper said, "is to protect their womanly modesty if they are forced to make a parachute jump." The paper comments that this is a sign that the war of nerves is becoming serious and also a sign that Mr. Marshall thinks of everything. If this item had not appeared in a Russian-licensed German paper, we should have believed it to be a clever advertisement of some Paris firm producing pants for women. But now we can only pity Mr. Marshall. What if the women of Washington don't see the joke in the proper light and organise an anti-Marshall "no pants for women" League?

Luring Labour Away From Liquor

"The success of our prohibition measures depends mainly on our scientific and sympathetic approach to the subject. The opening of social welfare centres such as these is a vital part of the positive side of this programme", said the Hon'ble Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction, Government of Bombay, opening the first recreation and amenities centre of the Provincial Prohibition Board at Kalyan on Sunday.

The Hon'ble Minister declared: "The Government of Bombay has decided to enforce prohibition throughout the Province in a period of four years ending 1950-51. The policy, however, is not an end in itself. It is a means to a far greater end—the economic and social uplift of the masses. By closing down all liquor shops we are going to uproot a source of dire misery to the drinker and his family. The past is full of such wrecked lives and even the present abounds in them. The Government have decided not to let the future follow in the same footsteps and so have chalked out a prohibition programme after careful deliberations and have passed the necessary legislative enactments to enforce the scheme."

"We are also aware", continued the Hon'ble Minister, "that no social legislation is successful only as a negative act, unless it is followed by positive measures which help the citizens to obey the law."

After stressing the need for recreation and amenities centres, the Hon'ble Minister said toddy-booths or wine-shops were frequented by the poor labourers, because they had no other place where they could relax their tired limbs, recreate themselves and enjoy a social life and thus refresh their minds and bodies. Their houses were usually the haunt of scarcity and as such could not attract them. Poverty led them to drink and drink led them to poverty. They were thus moving in a vicious circle. "I think it is our duty to break up this circle and release them from the evil bondage," he said.

After explaining the design on which the amenities centres were based, the Hon'ble Minister expressed a strong hope that the people would take advantage of these centres and help—lay a strong foundation stone for the prohibition programme, thus paving the way towards a rich, healthy, vigorous and happy India.

Mr. J. B. Bowman, the Collector, Thana District, opened the proceedings with a speech in Marathi, assuring the Hon'ble Minister of all co-operation in the programme on behalf of the people of the District. The programme for the evening included songs, dances, 'lezim' and acrobatic feats by Hanuman Vyayam Shala of Thana and 'powadas' by Mr. Chavan of Bassein.

Asoka Mehta Criticises Security Bill

LEAGUE CORPORATOR DEFENDS GOVERNMENT'S ACTION

BOMBAY, Monday.—Mr. Akhtyar H. Mirza, leader of the Muslim League Party in the Corporation was the only speaker who vigorously and valiantly defended the Bombay Government's recently amended Public Security Measures Act, to protest against which 25 members of the Socialist Party, led by Mr. Asoka Mehta, had requisitioned a special meeting of the Corporation which was held this afternoon. Mr. M. U. Mascarenhas, Mayor, presided.

Mr. Mirza took strong exception to the remark made by Mr. Asoka Mehta that the Muslim League, did not at all constitute an opposition to the government but, on the contrary, ran after the Government.

Mr. Asoka Mehta's resolution was in the naure of a protest against the recently amended Bombay Public Security Measures Act on the ground that the Act had placed "further unnecessary and intolerable restrictions upon the civil liberties of the people and the freedom of the press" which the Corporation viewed "with grave concern."

MEHTA'S CRITICISM

In moving the resolution Mr. Asoka Mehta said:

"The Government of Bombay through the Public Security Act, have assumed powers that no Government, claiming to be democratic, have assumed anywhere.

"In the heated Rowlatt Act there was the provision for reference of the case of a person detained by the Government to a tribunal of persons of the status of High Court Judges. Not even this elementary safeguard is now retained.

"The armoury of ordinary law is well-stocked with restrictive and repressive measures against the Press by the British rulers. The powers recently assumed by the Government enable them virtually to decide not only what the Press shall not publish, but what it shall write.

"The Government's vast powers are characteristically reserved only for its critics and opponents.

Supporting the resolution Principal L. M. Welingkar said that it was unfair to suppress criticism while the constitution of a Free India was being framed in New Delhi.

MIRZA'S OPPOSITION

Mr. Mirza who rose to oppose Mr. Asoka Mehta's resolution defended the Act on the ground that though a lawless law, it was being administered by "our people" (Laughter). The sword in the hands of an enemy constituted a menace but nobody would mind it being placed in the hands of his father.

Mr. Mirza went on to say that a butcher's knife was not the same thing as a surgeon's knife and that to protect the liberties of millions it was justifiable to curtail the liberties of a few people.

After Messrs. G. N. Bakhshi and Rambhai Patil spoke on the resolution, the meeting was adjourned.

SEATS IN PORT TRUST

Earlier the Corporation passed by majority and in the teeth of opposition from the Socialist Group, the report from the Municipal Commissioner in the form of a resolution in regard to the redistribution of the 11 seats on the Bombay Port Trust as follows:

Indian Merchants' Chamber to have eight seats in place of five; the Bombay Chamber of Commerce to get two seats instead of five; while the Millowners' Association to continue to receive the same representation, i.e., one seat only.

MRS. AUNG SAN AT LADY HARDINGE MEDICAL COLLEGE

Mrs. Aung San (2nd from right) visited Lady Hardinge Medical College, Delhi, on last Sunday. Lady Mountbatten, Col Barkat Narain, Director of Health Services, Delhi Province, and Miss Ma Aye Aye (niece of Mrs. Aung San) are also seen in the photo with her.

THIRTY SHIPS HELD UP

Sequel To Strike In Singapore Harbour

SINGAPORE, April 19. (Reuter): Work stopped on 30 ships in Singapore harbour to-day, when 2,500 lightermen of the Stevedores' Association called a lightning strike.

They were demanding an 80 per cent increase in pay, double pay for holiday work and "duty money" for handling cement.

Police arrested 42 men in a dawn raid to-day on the homes of dock-workers in Tankong Pagra, the Singapore wharf area.

They held seven men as alleged members of a secret society stated to have been much in evidence during recent dock strikes.

Its emblem is a pink card with a flaming sword in a clenched fist on one side and a yellow star on the other.

The other 35 men were released after questioning.

GENERAL STRIKE ON 23RD.

The President of the Singapore Federation of Trade Unions announced to-day a twenty-four hour general strike for April 23 in protest against police raids on trade union premises in the past few days.

Nearly 90 per cent of the 6,000 harbour workers called out on Saturday by the Harbour Labourers' Union were back at work this morning and their strike seemed on the verge of collapse.

FREEDOM OF PRESS IS RESULT OF BITTER AND LONG STRUGGLE

Rothermere's Call For Co-operation Between Reuters And A.P.A.

NEW YORK, April 19 (Reuter).—Lord Rothermere, Chairman of the London Newspaper Proprietors' Association, told the Associated Press of America's Centenary Meeting here today that press freedom in Britain and America was "a precious inheritance which it must be our constant care to guard."

Lord Rothermere, publisher of the "Daily Mail" and associated newspapers and a director of Reuters, was guest of honour at the Celebration Banquet. He said the meeting was not only commemorating the Associated Press Centenary but also marked "another hard-won century of freedom of the Press".

RESULT OF STRUGGLE

"The freedom of the press is nothing automatic, nor is it inherent in the nature of man or the human scheme. It is something that has been won only after long and sometimes bitter years of struggle and it will remain just so long as men are willing to fight, and if necessary die, in order to keep it."

Lord Rothermere said: "The success and stability of the Associated Press, the maintenance of those principles for which it stands, are matters of vital importance, not only to the United States, but to the entire world. They are important and vital to all democratic nations who find in the strength and endurance of their free institutions the main hope of salvation where freedom and the cause of truth are being so bitterly assailed."

Addressing Mr. Robert McClean, President of the Associated Press, Lord Rothermere said: "I have no doubt it was your conviction that in these matters the Press of America and the Press of the British Commonwealth must stand forever united, that caused you to do the great honour of inviting me here today.

"During my Chairmanship of the Newspaper Proprietors of London, we have become part owners—with the Provincial Press and the Press of Australia and New Zealand—of Reuters' Agency. Since I served first as a trustee and then as a Director of Reuters, I have come to see how the press of our countries may achieve a closer working with each other through co-operation between the two news services, which they own and control."

The Associated Press, Lord Rothermere continued, could play a decisive part in shaping the world's standards in the handling and transmission of news.

FIRST ATOMIC BOMB

"News was the first atomic bomb," he said. "It may still be the most dynamic in effect. News has so often overthrown the most powerful Governments, and the greatest empires. Why? Because it has been the fierce impact of reality upon mere fantasy or belief. It has been the sudden arrival of truth—it is always devastating."

He said that Mr. Kent Cooper, Executive Director and General Manager of the Associated Press, in his book "Barriers Down" has vividly described the successful battle of his own life so inextricably linked with the growing renown and fortune of your great Association."

"He has also set on record there the basic principles for which the Associated Press stands," Lord Rothermere said. "Never, I submit, in the world's history has it been more necessary to re-affirm those principles and to fight for their acceptance. We publishers must fight this battle together. The Associated Press was in its first instance, and has always been, a newspaper conception: it developed as a function of newspapers, the servant of newspapers.

"It may be a surprise to many of you when I say that the development of Reuters in its present form, and the determination of the British Press to strengthen and cherish Reuters as an independent non-profit-making news service, owe much to the Associated Press and to Kent Cooper's crusading spirit.

"In three years' time, in 1951, we shall be celebrating the centenary of Reuters."

Lord Rothermere then called for co-operation between the two agencies.

'IMPLEMENT TRUCE RESOLUTION'

Jagjiwan Ram's Appeal At Labour Conference

NEW DELHI, April 19. (A.P.I.): Addressing the delegates of employers, workers and representatives of the Central, Provincial and State Governments assembled here for the ninth session of the Indian tripartite labour conference, the Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjiwan Ram today appealed for "top priority" in respect of implementation of the industrial truce resolution adopted last year.

The Labour Minister said the truce resolution was "a tribute to your patriotism and constructive effort and was evidence of your anxiety to help in tiding over the present crisis". "If implemented it would bring about a bloodless economic revolution".

The Labour Minister assured the conference that the Government would spare no effort to fulfil each and every obligation imposed on them. He had heard it occasionally said that Government was siding with labour or that it was siding with management. The fact was that Government had to act in the common interest and to the common good". Let me assure my friends on both sides that if they respond to the needs of the country and observe the industrial truce, both in letter and in spirit, they will have no cause of complaint and may be helping their own interests as well as promoting the well-being of the country".

The desirability of instituting compulsory provident funds for industrial workers was generally accepted by the Tripartite Indian Labour Conference held in Delhi today. Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Labour Minister, presided.

It was, however, felt that the Central Labour Ministry should prepare a detailed scheme within about six months of the working of the compulsory Provident Fund scheme for coalminers and place it before the Standing Labour Committee.

The policy and administration of Central, Provincial and State Governments in respect of labour during the last year was also reviewed by the conference.

At tomorrow's session, the Conference will discuss the implementation of industrial truce.

Besides the Chairman, representatives of Central, Provincial and State Governments and of employers and workers organisations are attending the three-day conference.

Anti-Corruption Drive In E. Punjab

SIMLA, April 19. (A.P.I.): Fifteen East Punjab officers have been suspended, services of one officer have been dispensed with, while one officer has been recommended for compulsory retirement, following investigation into the complaints of corruption against them.

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ABDUL RAUS MOHD. ISSAK was convicted and sentenced to four months' rigorous imprisonment for unauthorised possession of ration cards and for unlawfully obtaining rations thereon.

For importing rice without a permit, Kukkoor Khedar was convicted and sentenced to one day's simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 or, two weeks' simple imprisonment in default.

STRIKE OF CENTRAL EXCISE SEPOYS

Notification By Revenue Board

BOMBAY, April 19 (API): The strike of the sepoys of the Central Excise Department entered its fifth day today, a total of about 1000 being on strike, according to the official sources. The places of work where they have gone on strike are Ratnagiri, Viramgaum Bassein, Vadala Ghatkopar, and Trombay, and some of the offices of the Customs Department in Greater Bombay.

An official of the department said today that the work of collecting taxes and guard duty which was being done by these employees had not suffered at all. In the whole Bombay division which includes Central Provinces, there are only 4,400 men of this cadre of employees. There was no strike in the Central Provinces area, the official said.

It was stated that the strike was illegal and some of the strikers had been suspended from service. The demands of the employees for revision of pay scales on the 35-1-50 grade could not be conceded, as the scale recommended by the Pay Commission was only 30-50 with an annual increment of eight annas. The Central Board of Revenue it is understood, had notified the Employees' Union that if the strike notice was withdrawn, the demand of revision of pay scales would be considered.

Leaders of the Excise Employees Union met the Collector of Customs in Bombay today and sought an assurance that there would be no victimisation and urged that the demands be considered sympathetically. They also demanded that the strikers should be paid for the strike period.

Electoral Rolls For Free India's Elections

SURAT, April 19, (A.P.I.): Steps to prepare tentative electoral rolls for purposes of elections to Central and State Legislatures immediately after the new constitution is passed by the Constituent Assembly in May, are being taken by all Provincial Governments, it is learned here.

Orders have been issued by Provincial Governments to collectors to register electors on a house to house basis, age of adults to be calculated as on January 1, 1949.

Apology For Racial Discrimination

LONDON, April 19, (Reuter): Managing Director of a London restaurant which refused to supply a meal to a coloured person—Mr. Tom Boatin, a West African lecturer at London University—has expressed his regret and given an unqualified undertaking to prevent a recurrence.

Ahmedabad Municipal Teachers Strike Ends

AHMEDABAD, April 19. (A.P.I.): The strike of the municipal school teachers came to an end to-day, and all the municipal schools are working normally.

Two Killed In Plane Crash

RAPID CITY (South Dakota), April 19. (U.P.A.): Two air force men in a rented private airplane to-day swept low over a herd of horses to "buzz" them. The plane crashed and both men were killed.

Panikkar Presents Credentials

NANKING, April 19. (Reuter): Sardar K. M. Panikkar, India's Ambassador to China, presenting his credentials to the Republic of China here to-day.

KARACHI, April 19 (API). The Sind Government has declared Wednesday April 21 as a public holiday in memory of Dr. Sir Mohammad Iqbal.

NO PROPAGANDA FOR RE-UNION

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communities and for ensuring that they receive justice and that their civic rights are fully safeguarded rests on the Government of the Dominion in which the minorities reside.

In Pakistan and in India every citizen shall have equal rights, opportunities, privileges and obligations and there shall be no discrimination against the minorities whose cultural and religious rights shall be fully safeguarded.

Any propaganda for the amalgamation of Pakistan and India or of portions thereof including East Bengal on the one hand and West Bengal or Assam or Cooch Behar and Tripura on the other shall be discouraged.

The word propaganda shall be taken as including any organisation which might be set up for the purpose.

ROLE OF PRESS.

Both Governments recognise that the whole-hearted co-operation of the Press is essential for creating a better atmosphere and therefore agree that every effort should be made in consultation with the representatives of the Press, wherever possible, to ensure that the Press in each Dominion does not (a) indulge in propaganda against the other Dominion; (b) publish exaggerated versions of the news of a character likely to inflame or cause fear or alarm to the population or a section of the population in either Dominion; (c) publish material likely to be construed as advocating a declaration of war by one Dominion against the other Dominion or suggesting the inevitability of war between the two Dominions.

Complaints from the minorities in both the Dominions that action is not taken on their reports against oppression or unfair treatment should be promptly and fairly looked into and early remedial measures taken.

MINORITIES' BOARD.

Both in East and West Bengal there shall be set up a Provincial Minorities Board and under the Provincial Board, District Minorities Boards for the express object of protecting the interests of the minorities, removing fear from their minds and inspiring confidence in them.

It is suggested that the Provincial Minorities Board should be composed of five members, three of whom at least should belong to the major minority community to be selected by the members of the Provincial Legislature belonging to the minority communities. The remaining two shall be persons of influence and shall be nominated by the Provincial Government. The District Magistrate shall be the Chairman of the District Minorities Board and a Minister to be nominated by the Provincial Government shall be the Chairman of the Provincial Board.

The two Dominions and their Provincial Governments shall declare and make it widely known to their officers and other employees that any Government servant proved to have been guilty either of dereliction of duty in protecting the lives and properties of the members of the minority community or of directly or indirectly ill-treating members of the minority community or showing prejudices against the minority community in the discharge of his duties, shall receive exemplary and deterrent punishment. Severe action shall be taken against any person or group of persons creating or attempting to create any apprehension or fear or insecurity or alarm in the minds of the minority community.

NO BOYCOTT OF MINORITIES

The two Dominions shall take adequate steps to remove complaints regarding:—

(a) discrimination in the grant of export and import licences and railway properties to members of the minority community as such.

(b) to curb all tendencies towards an economic boycott of the minorities or strangulation of their normal economic life.

The two Dominion Governments shall request their respective Provincial Governments to observe these principles in their own sphere.

EAST AND WEST BENGAL.

The Governments of East Bengal and West Bengal will provide legislation providing for the setting up of evacuee property management boards in districts or areas from where a substantial exodus has taken place. These boards will assume management of properties only on the definite request of their owners.

To ensure the implementation of this agreement, the representative of the two Dominions shall meet at least once in two months so as to bring to the notice of each other any instances of non-observance of the above principles in either Dominion. In the case of East Bengal and West Bengal where the situation required more urgent measures, the Premiers of the two provinces shall meet once every month for the same purpose.

This conference recommends that another Inter-Dominion Conference should be called at a very early date to which representatives of other Provinces and States (except East and West Punjab and N.W.F.P.) from which exodus has taken place on a large scale or is likely to take place, should be invited to consider action on lines in respect of:

(a) protection and other safeguards for the property of refugees who have gone out from one Dominion to the other temporarily or otherwise and (b) creation of conditions in any affected area which will reassure the minorities that their interests and rights are fully safeguarded and will prevent exodus or will induce evacuees to return to their homes.

2. It is further understood that a separate conference, as already agreed to, is to be held to consider the special problems relating to East and West Punjab and N.W.F.P. It is recommended that this conference should also be held at a very early date.

3. It is further recommended that a separate Inter-Dominion Conference should be called at an early date at which representatives of East Bengal and Assam should be present to discuss the question of migration of Muslims from East Bengal to Assam and the migration of Muslims who have been in Assam prior to partition into East Bengal. Pending this conference, both sides agree not to take any action to precipitate migration from one province to the other on mass scale.

The report of the expert committee appointed by the Inter-Dominion Conference to consider certain economic issues was discussed and the two Dominions agreed to give immediate effect to the recommendations made therein subject to certain modifications.

LEADERS' APPEAL AT PRESS CONFERENCE

CALCUTTA, April 19 (API).—Leaders of the Indian and Pakistan delegations to the Inter-Dominion Conference in Calcutta, at a press conference today, appealed to the people to assist their respective Governments in creating the necessary atmosphere to give the agreement a fair trial.

"We do not claim that the agreement we have reached is all-embracing and is all that is desired, but it has been reached with the best of goodwill and without any mental reservation", they said.

The press conference was held in front of the Premier's room in the West Bengal Secretariat.

Besides the leaders of the two delegations, Kwhaja Nazimuddin, Premier of East Bengal and Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier of West Bengal, also spoke.

Mr. K. C. Neogy said: "Here we were seeking to lay the foundations of communal peace in the country and for restoration of mutual goodwill and confidence among the two great peoples."

Mr. Ghulam Mohammad, leader of the Pakistan Delegation, expressed satisfaction that they had succeeded in reaching an agreement and said that both sides were determined to implement it.

APPEAL TO PRESS

He added that Inter-Dominion relations had been affected considerably by the power of the press. It was not his desire to apportion blame or to say anything unkind, but he would say that goodwill and understanding between the two dominions depended to a very large extent on the co-operation of the press. His appeal to all journalists, whether in Pakistan or in India, would therefore be that both sides must cry halt, search their own hearts to make up their mind and take a vow that they would do nothing which would embitter the good relations between the two Dominions.

Khwaja Nazimuddin, Premier of East Bengal said that they had done what they considered best for bringing Bengal and West Bengal. They were about a better situation in the two Dominions, and particularly in East determined—"inse Allah—(God willing) to implement the agreement that had been reached.

"AMEN", SAYS DR. B. C. ROY

The West Bengal Premier, Dr. B. C. Roy wished "Amen" to all that had been said and to the agreement that had been reached between the two Dominions.

Both the leaders of Pakistan and Indian delegations declined to elucidate any point that pressmen wanted. "Search your own heart for elucidation," they said.

Sardar Sardul Singh, East Punjab Government's Liaison-Officer with U.P. Government to look after Rehabilitation of Refugees.

2,500-YEAR-OLD CASKET FOUND

RANGOON, April 19. (Reuter): A casket estimated to be 2,500 years old discovered during repairs to a bomb-damaged Pagoda in Rangoon was opened here today.

It contained diamonds, emeralds and gold dust valued thousands of rupees.

It also contained two strands of hair said to be "hairs of the sacred Buddhs".

90 COMMUNISTS KILLED

RANGOON, April 19. (Reuter): Ninety Communists were killed in an engagement with the Kachin Rifles in a village in the Pyinmana district of Central Burma, the anti-Fascist People's Freedom League announced today.

The village was burnt and 200 rifles were captured, it was stated.

MONCKTON HOMEWARD BOUND

HYDERABAD (Dn.) April 19 (API). —Sir Walter Monckton, Constitutional Adviser to the Nizam and Lady Monckton, left for Karachi this morning by a special plane 'en route' to London.

HUNGER-STRIKE IN GULBARGA JAIL

Political detenus in Gulbarga Jail have gone on hunger-strike following the disturbance and baton charge there on April 15, it is learnt here.

Swami Ramanand Tirth, President of the Hyderabad State Congress, who is lodged in Gulbarga Jail, is not among the hunger-strikers.

Mysore To Present Gold Cup To Mountbatten

BANGALORE, April 19. (U.P.I.): The Mysore Durbar will present Lord Mountbatten, Governor-General of India, when he visits Mysore shortly, a gold cup, in remembrance of his visit to the State. The cup is said to be inset with precious stones, having the designs of Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Nehru and Lord Mountbatten with the National Flag over the cup lid.

ACTION AGAINST LABOUR M.P.'S

LONDON, April 19. (Reuter):—Mr. Herbert Morrison, one of the leaders of the Labour Party, today promised "effective action" against Labour members of Parliament who sent the telegram to Signor Nenni. The Speaker ruled that there was no prima facie case for a Committee of Privileges to be apointed.

NEW DELHI, April 19 (API): Daw Khin Kie, wife of the late Gen. Aung San, who has come to India as the guest of Lady Mountbatten was entertained at an "at home" by the Burmese Embassay this evening. The Party was attended by Lord Mountbatten, Governor-General, Pandit Nehru, diplomatic representatives and a large number of prominent officials and non-officials.

Inquiry Into Berlin Air Crash

British Court Blames Russian Pilot

LONDON, April 19 (UPA): The British Court of Inquiry reported today that the air crash that killed 15 persons in Berlin two weeks ago was caused by the Soviet fighter pilot's disregard of flying rules.

Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin read the Court's report in the Commons. He told the House that Britain would claim compensation for the lives of the 14 persons aboard the British transport with which the Soviet fighter collided.

Reuter adds: The British Court of Inquiry into the circumstances of the collision between a British airliner and a Soviet fighter over Berlin on April 5 has reported that there was no evidence to show that the collision was anything but an accident.

CREATING WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT

LONDON April 19. (Reuter: Agreement on the details of tri-zonal fusion in Western Germany and on a programme for creating a West German Government will be the two main tasks facing the London conference on Germany when it resumes tomorrow its discussions adjourned since March 6.

As before, the conference will be attended by representatives of Britain, France, the United States and the Benelux powers, and will be secret.

GADGIL'S CALL TO 'DUFFERIN' CADETS

BOMBAY, April 19. (A. P. I.). Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Commerce, Works, Mines and Power, Government of India, addressing the cadets of the "Dufferin" training ship here today said:

"It is the aspiration of this country that ships owned and manned by Indians should ply all over the world; that its flag should be carried over seven seas; and that its commerce may embrace every part of the world" "This aspiration can become an achievement," Mr. Gadgil continued. "If you accept the responsibilities and become honest and efficient officers of the Indian Mercantile Marine."

A meeting of the Governing Body of the "Dufferin" training ship was held under the chairmanship of Mr. N. V. Gadgil was attended among others by Secretary, Ministry of Commerce, Mr. C. C. Desai, Mr. Master of the Scindias and D. C. Pavate, Director of Public Instruction, Bombay.

MADRAS April 19 (API): Mr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetti, Finance Minister, Government of India who arrived in Madras today from Coimbatore left for Chidambaram tonight. He will be presented with the degree of Doctor of Letters ('honoris causa') at a special Convocation by the Annamalai University tomorrow.

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S. INDIA'S CULTURE DATES BACK TO 5,000 YEARS

Important Archaeological Find Made Near Bellary

POONA, April 19, (API): An important archaeological find which may be said to take back the cultural history of South India to beyond 3,000 B C has been recently made during excavations carried out in the village of Sanganakal near Bellary in Madras presidency. These excavations, undertaken by Mr. Subba Rau of the Deccan College and Post-Graduate Institute of Poona, brought to light some small stone implements believed to be 6,000 years in age. The archaeological researches carried out up to now had so far only revealed that these implements did form part of relics of an age dating to 1,000 B C but whether the use of these implements was known much earlier than that had remained undiscovered so far.

Mr. Subba Rau was prompted to undertake the excavations at Sanganakal by some important finds made by the Archaeological Department of the Government of India at Brahmagiri, which is 40 miles from Bellary and quite close to the site of his excavations. Choosing a hillock, 100 feet high and about one acre in area at the top, he commenced his excavations early in December last.

First, within two feet of his digging, he came across a 3,000 year old factory for the manufacture of polished stone axes and other implements. The relics he brought to light included a chisel, axe head, fabricator, pounders and tools for making those instruments. Important as these finds were in giving a complete picture of the various implements in use in that age, termed archaeologically the "Polished Axe Culture" age, Mr. Subba Rau's most important discovery was to come later, in February.

At a depth of 10 feet, he came across heavily rusted flakes of quartz used for making stone implements. The discovery of these at that depth, after the symbols of old polished axe culture unearthed earlier, lent immediate interest to it.

After that he decided to send samples of the implements to expert archaeologists of the Cambridge University whose report on the antiquity of the finds is now awaited.

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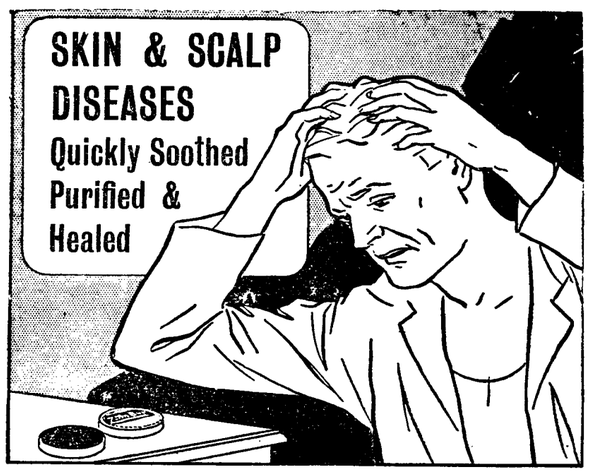

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STRENGTHEN HANDS OF GOVERNMENT

Bhargava Appeals To East Punjab People

FEROZEPORE, April 18 (API): Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava, the East Punjab Premier addressing a largely attended public meeting in Ferozepore during his tour of the Indo-Pakistan border said:

"The East Punjab Government is not ashamed of what has been achieved, we will continue working selflessly for the good of the province and the common man. Seeds of discontentment and hatred which certain sections including Communists and communalists, are sowing are devoid of any justification. We have paid rather heavily by having lost the life which we honoured most and also by partition of our beloved country into two halves"

The Premier appealed to the public to strengthen the hands of the Government so that country could be free from internal and external dangers". It gives me immense pleasure to see that panic about which I have heard so much is a mere myth—it does not exist at all as I see it from your faces.

I am proud to own a province which despite worst adversities and trials of life, known to any country, still bears a cheerful smile".

If we are destined to fulfil the job of protecting the border, God willing, we will faithfully do it because we have a culture and tradition to boast of", the Premier added.

BUILDING UP NATION'S PHISIQUE

FEROZEPORE, April 18 (API): Dr. Gopi Chand Bhargava inaugurating the Seventeenth Punjab Provincial Medical Conference here said that a nation is known by its physical fitness and not by its doctors".

He added: "Doctors should try to build up nation's physique and fitness and not be merely content by administering medicines to ailing ones. The sick only are a burden to nation. We want to build up a healthy nation. Doctors duty is to keep people healthy and fit. Keeping this in view the East Punjab Government has decided to amalgamate the medical and health departments.

The Premier advised private practitioners from Pakistan to settle down in villages where, he said, every effort was being made to start dispensaries. He appealed to women to take to midwifery and nursing. He also made a stirring appeal for contributions towards the Gandhi National Memorial Fund.

FRONTIER GANDHI DISCUSSES WITH KHIDMATGARS

Another Meeting With Jinnah Likely

PESHAWAR, April 19 (UPI) Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan called an emergent meeting of the Working Committee of the Frontier Provincial Khudai Khidmatgars yesterday.

It is understood that Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan fully apprised the Meeting the nature of the talks he had with Quaide-Azam Jinnah, the Governor-General of Pakistan, last week, and sought advice from his party colleagues on the various issues which cropped up between him and Mr. Jinnah.

Among those who attended the Working Committee meeting were Dr. Khan Saheb, Qazi Attaullah and Khan Amir Mohmed Khan.

It is learnt that some decisions were taken, which would be communicated to Mr. Jinnah.

The political circles here anticipate another meeting between Mr. Jinnah and Khan Abdul Ghaffar in near future.

U. P. SOCIALISTS REJOINING CONGRESS

LUCKNOW, April 19 (IPA): Indian Press Association understands that after hearing Mr. Govind Sahai, Parliamentary Secretary to the U. P. Premier who is on an election tour in the Fatehgarh District, Thakur Raghunandan Singh and 22 others who had joined the Socialist Party are now rejoining the Congress.

In his speech at Fatehgarh, Mr Sahai said: "We are not in possession of the Alladin's Wonderful Lamp and as such we cannot do wonders overnight as the Socialists are presuming to do" He further said that it would take at least five years for the Congress schemes to materialize. He therefore exhorted the audience to vote for Congress.

No Casualty Department

H. N. Hospital Authorities' Explanation About Kamalabai's Case

Mr. D. H. Vora, Hon. Secretary, Sir Hurkisondas Nurrotumdas Hospital, writes:

With reference to the criticism which appeared in several newspapers that one Kamlabai who met with an accident and died later on was not admitted in this Hospital on sectarian grounds, kindly publish our explanation which is as follows:

This Hospital does not maintain a Casualty Department and has not the necessary staff to deal with casualty cases. All routine casualty cases, whether a patient is a Gujrati or Non-Gujrati, are given first-aid treatment in this Hospital and they are thereafter directed in their own interest, to Hospitals which maintain casualty departments where the necessary expert help is immediately available.

The inquiry as regards Kamlabai's name and caste were inquiries in the ordinary course and not with a view whether she should be admitted in this Hospital or not. This Hospital is built with moneys subscribed exclusively by Gujratis and its Constitution provides that the benefit of this Hospital shall be confined to Gujratis. Nevertheless, since the year 1929 in times of emergency and mass casualties such as during riots, firings, explosions and fires, this Hospital has thrown open its doors to all—Hindus, Muslims, Parsis and Christians, irrespective of their caste or creed. In such cases the action of the management has to be ratified by the General body of members. Mr. S. K. Patil, as the General Secretary of the B.P.C.C. sent on 19-3-46 Rs. 5,000/- as a donation to this Hospital for such services. He wrote "You have done so much service to us and to the people in distress that it is impossible to thank you adequately for it."

On 8th April, 1947, the Hon. Dr. M. D. D. Gilder in his speech in the Legislative Assembly said: "Sir Hurkisondas Hospital deserves the greatest credit. It has done the greatest amount of service during the riots. It has never looked to caste or creed or anything of that sort. It has taken Hindus, Muslims, Christians, regardless of anything. It is supposed to be a Hindu Hospital, but it has taken them all."

During the last Hindu-Muslim riot, Muslim patients were treated in this Hospital and they were cured with blood donated among others by Gujaratis. The Secretary of the Bombay Muslim League Relief Committee wrote on 25-9-46 "I have great pleasure to put on record your kind sympathies, good services, treatment and kind co-operation extended to the Muslim riot victims, who were admitted to your Hospital, during the recent riot. We are also very much obliged to you for giving them penicilin and blood transfusions to the deserving Muslim victims at your cost."

It is wrong to allege that Kamlabai was refused admission of sectarian grounds. We deeply regret her death in the Hospital to which she was removed after first-aid was rendered to her in this Hospital. We might mention that leading private Hospitals in America like Mayo Clinic and other Hosptals do not maintain casualty wards and after giving first-aid to casualty cases, they transfer these cases to Hospitals meant for casualty work. In this city also other private Hospitals do not maintain casualty departments.

SMUGGLING CLOTH TO PAKISTAN

West Bengal Plan To Check It

JIAGANJ, April 19 (UPI): With a view to checking the smuggling of cotton cloth yarn and other textile goods to Pakistan areas, the District Magistrate of Murshidabad has imposed certain restrictions on the cloth merchants of the district under the West Bengal Security Act.

The order of the District Magistrate prohibits the cloth and yarn merchants (1) from conducting any sale except in the presence of an officer or a volunteer authorised by the S.D.O. concerned and on the dates and between the hours as directed by him. (2) sale of textile goods to any person who does not possess a ration card or any permit issued by the S.D.O. or the Subdivisional Controller of Civil Supplies; (3) conducting of any business without keeping a proper account book in which names and addresses of persons to whom the articles are sold to be entered, (4) selling of more than five yards of cloth of any variety to any ration card holder within a calender month, etc.

The order makes it clear that merchants must give all facilities of inspection to the S.D.O. or any officer authorised by him and they must not destroy, mutilate or replace any document prepared under this order.

Sea Elephants From Antarctic

MELBOURNE, (Reuter):—The Australian Antarctic Expeditions' LST 3501, is bringing back three baby sea elephants for the Melbourne Zoo.

The sea elephants are about 6 feet long and weight approximately half a ton.

It is believed that they will be the only sea elephants in captivity in the world.

SIMLA, April 18 (API) The rationing of foodgrains will terminate in all the rationed towns in East Punjab with ewwect from May 1, says an official announcement.

Holmes Refused Permit To Enter Japan

NEW YORK (IPS)—The great friend of India, Rev. Dr. John Haynes Holmes who has recently returned from a tour of India has been refused permission to visit Japan. Dr. Holmes who is the Chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union has been invited by General MacArthur, to go to Japan but still he cannot go there. It is stated that the State Department has blocked him because reports of a speech he made in India" made his visit to Japan inappropriate."

LATE SIR HOMI MEHTA

LONDON, April 18 (Reuter) Lieutenant Colonel N. D. Gandy told Reuter here today that the body of Sir Homi Mehta, the Bombay millionaire killed last Thursday in the Constellation airliner crash at Shannon airport Eire, would probably be buried in the Parsee section of Brookwood (Surrey) cementary on Wednesday.

Colonel Gandy, lifelong friend of Sir Homi, brought the body to London by air in a hermetically sealed coffin from Shannon today. He said it would not be possible as originally intended to take the body to India for burial.

Burial Rites For Mumtaz Shahnawaz

SHANNON (Eire,) April 18 (Reuter)—Burial rites were carried out by the Imam of Woking (Surrey) mosque over the body of Miss Mumtaz Shahnawaz, of Lahore, one of the 30 victims of Thursday's 'Constellation air liner crash at Shannon airport, after a mass common burial yesterday.

UNIVERSITY FOR CENTRAL INDIA

Madhya Bharat Committee's Recommendation

INDORE, April 18 (A.P.I.)—The Madhya Bharat University Committee which has just submitted its interim report to the Indore state Government has made out a strong case for the early establishment of a university for Central India.

There exist in this Region at present 15 colleges, 75 high schools three vocational high schools and other educational institutions such as the Sanskrit Mahavidyalaya and the Ayurvedic College.

The University Committee had recommended that from the administrative point of view and in the interest of the cultural, linguistic and educational advancement of the province, a separate university for the region should be established as soon as conditions permit.

5 CRORE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME FOR GWALIOR

GWALIOR, April 18 (API): The Maharaja of Gwalior has sanctioned rupees five crores from the reserves of the State for financing the various development schemes outlined recently by Mr. Liladhar Joshi, Chief Minister.

Out of this sum, a crore of rupees will be utilised for the development of the ancient and historic city Ujjain and for the establishment of a University there.

The Government is appointing a Committee of agricultural experts to advise on the introduction of modern methods of agriculture, dairy-farming and animal husbandary to increase the agricultural wealth of the state.

REVIVING GLORY OF UJJAIN

NEW DELHI, April 18 (UPI): Outlining the salient features of the development schemes for Gwalior Mr. Liladhar Joshi, Chief Minister, Gwalior State, in a Press interview said that during the short period his Government had been in office it had not been possible to finalise a blue print of these plans. The solvent financial position inherited by his Government would no doubt enable them to undertake large scale plans for alround development involving an expenditure of Rs. 4 or 5 crores. The development of the ancient and historic city of Ujjain along with the establishment of a university wouldrequire Rs. 1 crore. The University would serve not only the Gwalior State, but would also prove a boon to Central India.

Continuing he said: "For the convenience of the Malwa districts, it is contemplated to set up in the near future the regional appellate bench of the High Court in Ujjain.

Mysore Claim For Bhatkal Port

NEW DELHI, April 19 (API): Mr. K. T. Bhasyam, Minister for Law and Labour, Mysore had an interview with the Governor-General Lord Mountbatten regarding the claims of Mysore for Bhatkal port in the West Coast and the railway link between Chamarajanagar and Coimbatore. Dr. John Matthai, the Minister for Transport was present at the interview.

The Ports Committee's report which was to have been completed by the end of this month is expected to be ready only by about the end of May 1948. The question of the Bhatkal project will be taken up thereafter.

Mr. Bhashyam also met the Prime Minister and the Minister for Food and Agriculture, Mr. Jairam Das Daulatram.

Bing Crosby's Income From Records

NEW YORK (IPS) The famous U.S. singer, Bing Crosby earned about £162,000 from gramophone records alone in 1947.

Russia Retreats Again In Battle Of Traffic Control

VIENNA, April 18 (UPA)—Russia retreated again in the battle of traffic control today as Western military traffic moved freely on all highways out of Vienna.

Shortly afternoon today Russian guards first walked off the barrier on the road leading to the British airport at Schwechat, eight miles east of Vienna, leaving traffic free to pass without challenge. Around 16-00 hours the Russian guards returned to their posts but did not attempt to stop either civilian or military automobiles on the road.

On the main American highway leading to Tulln air base, 14 miles northwest of Vienna, Russian guards stayed at their posts but did not halt either civilian or military traffic.

The latest Russian relaxation of highway controls returned the situation to where it was before the recent series of Russian moves began, but the Russians still manned road barriers on the airport roads which they had not guarded in more than a year.

British European Airways flights into Vienna were operating normally despite the Russian demand that they should be stopped or at least curtailed. British authorities said tonight that they would ignore the demand to alter their schedules and would continue to operate as usual.

Russian travel regulations were not yet officially withdrawn.

"TROUBLED FUTURE FOR ITALY"

ROME, April 18 (Reuter).—Signor Palmiro Togliatti, Italian Communist leader, today forecast a troubled future for Italy if the Communists do not share in the Government. In the Communist party newspaper "Unita" he wrote, "There hangs over us the menace of a return of a reactionary regime and even the menace, as everyone knows today, of a rebirth of Fascism."

LOOTING IN RUNNING TRAINS REPORTED

SURAT, April 19 (API) Two cases of looting in running trains have been reported during the last weekend between Godhra and Surat.

On Thursday night one person travelling by the Delhi Express from Godhra to Darol was injured by two persons who forcibly tried to rob the passenger of his purse. Two persons have been arrested in this connection. It is stated that the arrested persons were armed.

Last night one woman has been arrested by the Railway Police on a charge of trying to rob a refugee lady travelling by the Delhi express from Godhra to Baroda.

Dr. Radhakrishnan En-Route To Paris

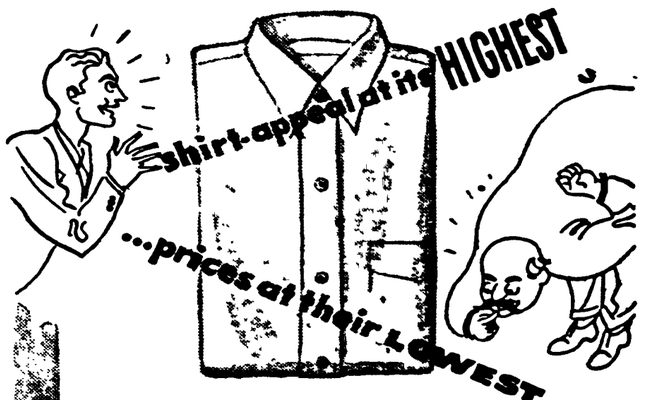
NEW DELHI, April 19 (API): Dr. S. Radhakrishnan left this morning for London on his way to Paris to preside over the programme meeting of the UNESCO to be held there on April 25, 26 and 27.

Important questions of UNESCO's activities in Germany and Japan will come up for discussion at the meeting.

POLICE ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE LABOUR LEADERS

SINGAPORE, April 19 (Reuter)—About 100 Singapore harbour board police today raided the living quarters of labourers at Tanlong Pagar, the wharf area of Singapore, in a dawn surprise attempt to capture leaders of a labour organisation.

A number of arrests were expected to follow the raid aimed at the ringleaders of the "Tiadgang" an organisation using the insignia of a flaming torch with a clenched fist and yellow star which has been prominent during recent labour unrest.



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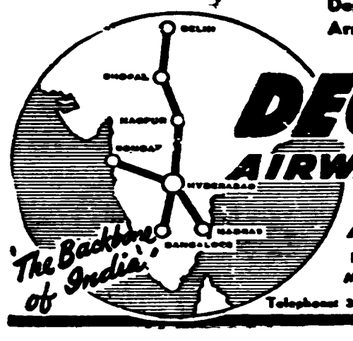

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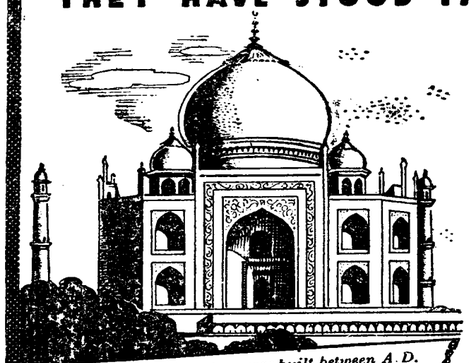

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MODERATE SELLING IN SHARES AFTER OPENING RISE

Cotton Prices Recover On Moderate Support

NARROW PRICE MOVEMENT IN BULLION

BOMBAY, April 19.

Owing to an informal meeting of the members of the Bombay Stock Exchange today, the session was open one hour for trading. The market opened very steady with quotations showing moderate gains as compared with the previous close but there was a marked absence of any important buying and the market developed declining trend with moderate selling pressure which erased most of the opening gains However the selling was not any impressive character beyond routine trading

Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 1700 and declined at Rs 1670. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs 343 and declined at Rs. 337 Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1120 and quietened at Rs 1107. Kohinoors opened at Rs. 655 and declined at Rs. 648 while Swadeshi Shares declined at Rs 640 after opening at Rs. 648

Later on the market was quietly steady with restricted business which produced minor changes Tata Steel Defds improved at Rs 1677 and steadied at Rs. 1672 Ordinary shares after touching Rs 336/8 steadied at Rs. 337. Second Preference shares were placed at Rs. 139 Bombay Dyeing shares after declining at Rs. 1102 improved at Rs. 1115 but quietened at Rs. 1107. Kohinoors changed hands at Rs. 646. New Great shares declined at Rs. 369 after opening at Rs. 373, Simplex also quietened at Rs. 236/8. Central Bank shares were done at Rs. 86 while United Commercials were placed at Rs 65/8 Associated Cements were quoted at Rs. 173. Scindia shares were placed at Rs. 28/3. The market closed quiet with a restricted turnover

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing X.D. 11078 Kohinoor 646 Swadeshi 640 Nagpur 332 Simplex 236/8 New Great 369 Gokak X.D. 329 8 Indore 547/8 Century 512.8 Colaba X.R. 180 Bleaching 169 Swan 390 Finlay 361 Morarji 525 Edward 630 Meyer 177 8 Apollo 3/14 I. U. Ordinary 15 I. U Defd. 2/12 Madhusudan 247 8 Podar 185 Khatau 261/4.

STEELS

Tata Steel Ord 337 Tata Steel Defd. 1672 Second 139.

CEMENTS

Associated Merger X. D. 173.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 447/8 Belapur 352 Shivrajpur 36/8 Scindia 28 3 Construction 306/8 Tata Chemical 16 10 Tata Oil 69 Indian Iron 31 1 Bengal 26 8.

ELECTRICS

Tata Hydro 155 Andhra X.D. 1390 Tata Power 1522/8.

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 89.8 Phoenix 460 Ind. Mfg. 4185 Koorla 300 Dawn 1545 David 150 New City 200 Minerva 206/4 Bradbury 695 Bharucha (Defd.) 7 Bharat 41.8 Mysore 230/10 Madhavji 19/6 Model 195 Laxmi X.R. 802/8 Vishnu X.R. 317.8 Western 4060 Standard 520 Sholapur 5950 Sassoon Cotton 19 Hindustan 4310 Tata 70 Ahmedabad Advance 565 Sassoon Silk 85 New Union 16 Madhusudan B. 47 Shrinivas X.R. 235 Raja Bahadur 125 Berar 265 Victoria 225 Simplex Cpn. 115.

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad X.R. 122/8 Surat 141/4 Karachi 116/4 Broach 10 10 Ajmer 10/10 Amalgamated 15 8 Nagpur 53/8 Poona 145 Bombay Suburban 161/4 Bombay Suburban New 131/4.

BANK SHARES

Reserve 111 Imperial 2037 8 P. P. 507/8 Central 86 New 86 India 247/8 Union 9/10 Baroda 160 Habib 152 Dena Bank 54 United Commercial 63.8 Jaipur 51 Hindustan Com. 34 Mysore 365 Exchange (Ord.) 50 Eastern 105

INSURANCE

Oriental 5400 Empire 785 New India 72/12 Jupiter 30 Vulcan 13 7 Indian Mercantile 48 Universal Fire 15/12 British India General 23/8 Prud. 29 Neptune 7 New Great 25 All-India General 20/4

RAILWAYS

C.P. 106 8 Mymensing 100 Guaranteed 100 Pachora 107 Manmad 125

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 326/4 Steamer 547 8 Burma New 151/4 B.B. Petrol 2/12 Mackenzie 85 Port Canning 74 Kemp 480 Zandu Pharmacy 180 Indian Investment Trust X.D. 99 Wimco 320 Dharamsey Chemical 35 8 Mukund Iron 10 Dena Trust 19/4 Alembic 242 8 Supreme India 130 Jamwire 108 Bombay Uganda 74 Bombay Motor Cycle 42 India Cement 31/4 Walchand Nagar Industries 186/4 United Motor 74 A.C.C New 109 Bombay Safe Deposit 910 Hydro Construction 16 Manmad Steam 100 8 Gujerat Motor 25/2 Sardar Carbolic 750 Harvey Press 340 Estrella Bat. 51 Prince of Wales 625 Manmad Press 125.

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 185 Andhra Valley 1237/8 Tata Power 1340 Hydro 125 Bombay Steamer 323/12 Nagpur 630 Swadeshi 146 4 Vishnu 850 Laxmi 307/8 New Great 222/8 Poddar 115 Shrinivas 98 Elphinstone 120 Bradbury 385 Surat Elec 130 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 127 (Second Pref.) 125 Amalgamated 123/8 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 123/12 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 19/14 Supreme 120 Meyer 121/4 Mackenzie First 127/8 Mackenzie Second 125 And Advance 160 Mysore Mill 50 Standard 101 Madhusudan 12

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 103/8 B. Steamer 1959 104/6 Indian Hume Pipe 111 Tata Power 1951 103 Walchand Nagar (6) 117.

OUTSIDE ISSUES

Indian Copper 2/12 BIC 9/1 Burma Corporation 3/4 New Victoria Mill 5/4 New Victoria Pref. 6/8 Phalton 130 Gold Mohor 325 New Kaiser-e-Hind 385 Sajjan Mill 250 Osmanshahi 230 Ajamshahi 210 Air Services 11/12 Air Ambica 17 Air India Tata 162/8 Hind Motor 6/13 Indian Steam 13/4.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, April 19.

MILLS.

Apollo 3/14 3/14 6
Bharucha (Defd.) 4/2
B. Dyeing 1130 2/8 15 5 7/8
C. India 338 35 36 32
Elphinstone (Pref.) 120
Finlay 365 67 63 66 61
Gokak 335 29/8
I. U. (Defd.) 2/11 2/12
I. U. (Ord.) 15/3 15
Indore 558.12 47/8
Kohinoor 660 50 53 49 51 46
Madhusudan 247/8
New Great 373 69
Podar 187/8 82/8 85
Simplex 242 43 37/8 40 37 38 36/8
Swadeshi 648 40 44 40
Swan 391 90
Tata Mills 77
Vishnu 317.8

BANKS.

Central 85/12 86 85/8 86
Imperial (Old) 2040 37/8
India 246/8 48 47/8
Reserve 111/4 11
Union 9/8 9/10
U. Commercial 66 65/8

ELECTRIC.

Hydro 155
Hydro (Pref.) 125

INSURANCE.

I. Mercantile 48/8 48
New India 73 72/12
Vulcan 13/6
Scindia 28/8 28/3 28/4 28/3

STEEL.

I. Iron 31/7 31/5 31/6 31/1
Tata (Defd.) 1702/8 7/8 1677/8 90 70 77/8 70 72/8
Tata (Ord.) 342 43 36/8 37
Tata (IInd Pref.) 140 39

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 327/8 26/4
A. C. C. (Old) 173/8 73/4 73/12 73
A. C. C. (New) 108/12 9
Belapur 353 54 50 52
B. B. (Old) 445 46/4 38/12 40 37/8
B. B. (New) 150 51/4
B. B. Petrol 2/12
Dharamshey Chem. 35/8
P. Const. 207 8 6 6/8
Tata Oil 58 59
Walchandnagar 185 86/4
Wimco 317/8 21/4 20

SPECIAL.

Central Bank (New) 86
Alembic Chem. 242/8
Andhra Valley Debenture 102/12

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, April 19.

			Rs	as.	p
2-1/2	p.c.	1954	98	10	0
2-1/2	p.c.	1950	101	1	0
2-1/2	p.c.		96	14	0
2-3/4	p.c	1948-52	100	4	0
2-3/4	p.c.	1960	99	7	0
2-3/4	p.c.	1962	99	0	0
2-3/4	p.c.	1976	99	8	0
3	p.c.	non-Terminable	99	2	0
3	p.c.	1986 Con.	99	3	0
3	p.c.	1949-52	101	8	0
3	p.c.	1951-54	102	2	0
3	p.c.	1953-56	102	3	0
3	p.c.	1957	101	7	0
3	p.c.	1959-61	101	0	0
3	p.c.	1966-68	99	12	0
3	p.c.	1970-75	99	8	0
3-1/2	p.c.	1954-59	105	2	0
4	p.c.	1945-53	101	12	0
4	p.c.	1960-70	111	0	0
4-1/2	p.c	1958-67	105	0	0
4-1/2	p.c	1955-60	113	0	0
4-1/2	p.c	1958-67	116	0	0

PROVINCIAL LOANS

2-3/4	p.c.	U. P. 1961	98	0	0
2-3/4	p.c	Madras 1961	98	0	0
3	p.c	Bombay 1956	101	6	0
3	p.c.	Bombay 1958	101	6	0
4	p.c.	Punjab 1949	98	14	0
3	p.c.	Madras 1952-53	100	6	0
3	p.c.	Punjab 1952	98	14	0
3	p.c.	U. P. 1952	100	6	0
3	p.c.	C. P. 1952	100	6	0
3	p.c.	N.-W. F. 1952	99	0	0
3	p.c.	U.P. 1961-66	100	0	0
3	p.c.	Bombay Port Trust	111	0	0
3	p.c.	Bombay Municipality City	111	0	0
3	p.c.	Bombay Municipality 1959	116	0	0
6	p.c.	Municipality 1954.	118	0	0
3-1/4	p.c.	New Municipal 1977	100	8	0
5	p.c	BPT	110	0	0

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, April 19.

The Bullion Market was again firm today with increased demand for Gold and prices reached new high level. There is improved demand for Gold and arrivals are keeping below the average daily offtake

Forward Silver opened today at Rs 171/2 and declined at Rs. 170/8 on moderate liquidation but later improved at Rs 170/10 on slightly better support Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 170/6 Forward Gold opened today at Rs. 117 and declined at Rs. 116/8 on scattered profit-taking bt steadied at Rs 116/10. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 116/11 and Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 74/4.

Final quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	170	10	0
Forward Silver	170	12	0
Ready Gold	116	4	0
Forward Gold	113	8	0
Sovereigns	74	4	0

HESSIAN MARKET.

BOMBAY, April 19.

		Pies
45X11.		
Ready		122
April-June		105-1/2
July-Sept.		102
D. W. 40X28.		
Ready	108 0	0
April-June	102 12	0

PEPPER PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 19.

Chaitra dely.	648 to 51
Vaishakh dely.	648 to 51

SUGAR PRICES.

BOMBAY. April 19.

	Rs.	as.	p.
Usual quality	109	8	0
Raja	112	8	0
Buland	118	0	0
May	35	0	0
August	37	12	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 19.

B C Rates F I D D 1/5 15/16 Ready B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months

London Bank, Buying I T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 1/32 7th and 9th Month

New York and Montreal B C Rates T T Rs 332 1/4

Banks Selling T T D D Rs 332 1/4

Banks Buying T T Rs. 330

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 328 3/4

Montreal Rs 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329

Montreal Rs 328 3/4 C/C

Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 6400

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 6550

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs. 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D—79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 167 3/4

Manila Bank Selling T T D D Rs. 165-1/4

New York-London Cross Rate Dol 02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4

London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-53.43

London Alexandria Fcs 97 1/4-3/4

London Amsterdam Fl 10.68-70

London Bangkok Tcl 40

London Belgium Fcs 176 1/2-3/4

London Denmark Kr 19.32-36

London Hongkong 1/3 1/16

London Iran Rl 128-130

London Java Fl 10.68-70

London Lisbon Es 99 80-100.20

London Manila Pes 8.10/8-15

London Montreal Dol 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4

London New York Dol 4.02 3/4 4.03 1/4

London Oslo Kr 19.98 20.02

London Paris Fcs. 863.40-864.60

London Prague K 201-202

London Singapore 2/4 7/32-1/8

London Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50

London Switzerland Fcs 17 34-36

London Syria 880-5

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BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, April 19.

The attention of the market was diverted today to voting on the resolution of a Bull squeeze in the market. It is generally believed that interested parties have done extensive propaganda in favour of the resolution placed before the last general meeting and the market believes that the resolution will receive majority vote. This belief was mainly responsible for heavy liquidation witnessed today. The sharp drop of about Rs. 12 per candy from the opening level attracted moderate short covering

At the opening May delivery was quoted at Rs. 678 and declined at Rs. 666 At this level all offerings were absorbed and the market rallied at Rs. 670 on short covering.

Later on the market was quietly steady and May was quoted at Rs. 671 Thereafter there was further buying and May advanced at Rs. 680 and closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. May	677	0	0
I.C.C. July	589	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	694	4	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton May Contract is 1134 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, April 19.

The Produce Market was quietly steady today with mixed trading. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 135/12 and improved at Rs 136 under scattered buying. At this level there was increased selling and the market declined at Rs. 134/8 but rallied at Rs. 135/3 on short covering. September delivery was placed at Rs. 142/9. Groundnuts April-May delivery were quoted at Rs 31/12 while June-July business was reported at Rs. 32/1. Linseed April-May was quoted at Rs 25/10 and June-July business was done at Rs. 25/14. The oil market was closed today as a mark of respect to the death of a member Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Khandesh quality	33	0	0
Coromandal ready	32	12	0
Bold ready	32	8	0
April-May	31	12	0
June-July	32	1	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
Ready	29	12	0
May delivery	135	3	0
September	142	8	0
LINSEED—			
Ready	25	10	0
April-May	25	10	0
June-July	25	14	0
OILS—			
Groundnut ready	17	8	0
Groundnut May	17	12	0
Groundnut June June	17	14	0
Linseed Oil	15	2	0
Castorseed First Pressing	19	4	0
Castorseed Commercial quality	17	12	0

General Rise In Hapur Commodity Prices

HAPUR, April 15:

There has been a general rise in the commodity prices during the week under review. Those least affected are the foodgrains, while those that have recorded a sharp gain include gur, sarson and oats. The Bullion market remained partially erratic. A rise in the first instance followed by the liquidation of the earlier gain with an upward curve again towards the end.

Uncertainty regarding the application of the CP sales tax on sales conducted in the course of forward business continued to retard volume of speculative business in the markets. The turn over was considerably lower, but that did not affect the market sentiment overwhelmingly dominated by bullish feelings.

There is not much to report from the food grains section. Harvesting is now practically over. Threshing operations are in full swing. Small scale arrivals have also begun. First reactions to the threshing operations give rise to a feeling of subdued optimism. So far as India's own food production is concerned, the yield this year would decidedly exceed that of last year. But the need of imports from abroad would remain as tight as ever.

GUR PRICES

In the Gur section prices have advanced both in the futures and for ready. Arrivals are now declining, this being the fag end of the season. There is a fair demand for exports confined to fresh dry arrivals. Gur stocked in Khothas has begun to melt and deteriorate in quality as well as in weight. In the futures section strong bulls continued to sway the sentiment and bears were forced to take recourse to nervous stop loss liquidations. Day to day fluctuations have been fairly wide indicating a feeling of nervousness amongst the operations.

OATS AND BARDANA: Of all the futures oats and Bardana maintained a steady quiet undertone Turnover was small but the rise was continued and slow.

SARSON

There has been a sharp gain in prices both in the ready and in futures section. This has alarmed many. Futures in Sarson are being carried on here privately. The Hapur Chamber of Commerce or The Hapur Mahabir Vyapar Mandal do not gurantee delivery or final settlement. Prices have risen non stop from 12/4 to 19/12 There is every danger of some parties refusing to meet their liabilities leading to serious consequences.

BULLION

The undertone of the markets remained generally steady. Business has been considerably affected due to the Sales Tax uncertainties. Bulls are, however, reserved now and while they are unwilling to yield to any reverse pressure they are inclined to sit quiet. Fluctuations in the silver section were confined to a 4/- range which was still narrowed down to Rs. 2/- in the case of gold

HECTIC ACTIVITY IN COTTON MARKET

BOMBAY, April 16.

The Patel Cotton Co., Ltd. have issued the following weekly report:—

During the week under review the New York cotton market continued its steady advance on prospects of European and Japanese purchases, lifting all deliveries to new seasonal high levels. French and German inquiries are reported at 185,000 bales and 35,000 bales respectively. Also the final approval by the National Advisory Council to the 60 million dollar cotton credit to Japan is awaited as a matter of course.

In view of prospective export demand and the new crop preparations in some areas being three weeks behind normal, a tight supply situation till at least the harvest of the new crop is expected in some quarters. An intensive effort—reducing acreage under grains and utilising fallow lands—to put more land under cotton is in evidence owing to prevailing high prices. The Daily News Record places acreage around 22,820,000 which is 6.7 per cent more than the corrent year's figures.

BRAZIL CROP.

Cotton production in Brazil has dropped considerably during the past seven years from 836,902 tons in 1940 to 581,389 tons in 1947 owing mainly to lack of machinery and soil erosion. The authorities are considering a scheme to improve cotton growing in all its aspects viz. seeds, soil, fight against pests and insects and marketing.

The British Raw Cotton Commission and the Sudan Government's exports have concluded an agreement whereby the latter will sell 200,000 bales of Sudanese cotton at an average price of a little over £15 per kantar, which is though double last year's current price yet less than Alexandria cotton price for similar types for immediate delivery.

The Government of Egypt has imposed an export duty of 2-1/4d. per lb. on raw cotton. As Egyptian prices are already very high, the trade feels that this will have an adverse effect on the export trade. An emergency meeting of the Exporters Association is contemplating approaching the Government to exempt from the new tax the cotton already sold but not shipped

An offer by the Indian delegates to the International Cotton Conference to purchase 50,000 bales of Egyptian cotton in exchange for cereal and jute is under consideration by the Egyptian Government. The Indian delegation, in addition, established contacts with delegates from other parts of the world and discussed import and export problem.

The International Cotton Advisory Committee which met in Cairo reviewed the world cotton situation and considered the reports of all producing and consuming centres. The Committee as a preliminary to any step towards shaping the world cotton policy, laid weight the procedure for collecting accurate statistics of stocks, production and consumption

LOCAL MARKET.

During the past few days there was hectic activity in the Bombay futures market. After shooting up by nearly Rs. 65 in the last three days of the previous week, prices staged a sharp decline of Rs. 55 in the early part of this week, owing mainly to the requisition signed by more than 50 members of the East India Cotton Association Ltd. demanding declaration of a "squeeze." Rumours of a withdrawal of duty at both ends for import of Pakistan cottons assisted the decline. It is understood that the Import Duty on Pakistan Cotton has been withdrawn. The meeting on Tuesday not having decided anything definite on the motion (a poll is fixed for Monday, the 19th inst.), the futures market again forget ahead in view of the tight statistical position and expectation of an early announcement on absolute decontrol of cloth prices.

In the light of the above, premia in the spot market at Sewri also shrank initially, Broach, Bhubli and Surat contracts quoting Rs. 180 "On", 245 "On" and 305 "On" respectively. Later on, there was a rally lifting them to Rs. 190 "On", 255 "On" and 335 "On" respectively. Mills at this stage appear to be quiet while exporters show some interest in Punjab Deshi.

In view of scarcity of long staple cottons in this country, some quarters expect that Government will spare necessary exchange to import North and South American cottons, which comparatively are cheap at present.

CHEQUES CLEARED.

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending the 16-4-1948 were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 203970.

Amount of Cheques: Rs 53,35,25,000.

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, April 19.

M. V. CILICIA

From Glasgow:—45 bales writing paper, 119 bags rose nails, 27 cases aluminium utensils. 40 bales jute heald cards, 213 cases sewing cotton threads, 29 cases embroidery cotton in balls and skins, 1150 bdls flat steel bar curds, 25 bales spring buffers, 3072 cases sewing machines, 500 bales steel sheets, 25 cases boiler materials, 41 bdls steel work, 217 pcs sanitary earthenware 63 dry air line dyes.

From Liverpool.—2741 pkgs steel baling hooks, 115 bales wool tebs, 213 bales galvanized bolts and nuts, 435 cases textile machinery and parts, 25 cases umbrella liks, 96 cases woolen piecegoods, 25 cases new ring frame, 25 cases reeds 48 cases looms, 30 cases cotton piecegoods, 25 cases dyed valued corderoy, 30 trun woolen machinery cloth, 27 bags podohybrum emodi, 55 diesel oil engines, 26 cases roofing bolts and nuts, 25 reels wire ropes, 25 cases printing paper, 31 cases dairy machinery parts, 739 drums aniline dyes, 25 cases concrete mixture, 1294 drums hydrosil phite of soda, 180 bdls copper sheets 767 cases chocolates, 167 pcs sanitary earthenware, 60 boxes weights, 35 cases weighing machines, 30 bdls steel bars, 25 trusses cotton wares 77 bales unbleached cotton yarn, 25 bales wool tissues, 1047 drums tropical bleaching powder, 67 drums caustic soda, 2000 bdls steel hooks, 40 drums booking.

EXPORTS

To Liverpool:—Cotton piece goods 8 bales—Chellson Ltd. Cotton piece goods 8 bales—K. Sewakram and Sons, Cotton piece goods 38 bales—K. Chelaram, Coton piece goods 15 bales—K. G. Patel Corp. Ltd. Cotton piece goods 33 bales—G. Ambalal and Co. 86 bales goat hair—S. K. Banwarilal and Co. 55 bales cotton pieking—International Cotton Corp. Ltd. Cotton raw, 1000 bales—Eastern Cotton Co. 1480 bales—K. Devchand and Co. Ltd.

To London.—240 bags dry ginger—Eastern Export Co. (India) Ltd.

Rotterdam:—720 bags black pepper—Gandhi Bros.

S.S. ALAVI

To Karachi:—200 baskets betel leaves—B. L. Kakad.

S.S. RIZWANI

To Aden:—5 cases mangoes—G. Manekchand, 6 cases mangoes—V. Lalji and Sons, 14 cases mangoes—N. Vandrawan. Cotton piece goods 9 bales—3 bales cotton piece goods 9 bales—Ibrahim and Co. Unmanufactured tobacco 23 bales—Bhikashri, 8 bales—H. Chunilal.

To Jeddah:—5 cases castor oil—M. U. Chandbhai. 5 bags dry fish—G. Raul and Co.

To Portsudan:—Cotton piecegoods: 71 bales—T. Nemchand and Co. 29 bales—E. Kaurama and Sons. 85 bales—C. Kasturchand, 313 bales C. Popatlal.

S.S. INCHMULL

To Rangoon—80 bundles dry fish—D. Dadabhai and Co. A. Lokmanji and Co. 26 cases—drug un, 6 cases hing, 10 gottas fennel seeds 26 bds. dry fish—M V. Chandbhoy, 5 cases aluminium utensils—Manubhai and Co. Cotton piecegoods—6 bales—Pasrasram and Sons, 98 bales—H. V. M. Moosa, Motiwalla and Sons. Ltd. 30 bales—R. Chandulal. 12 bales—P. Shivram. 64 bales—C Babulal 23 bales—J. Baldeodas, 9 bales—S. Laxminarain, 11 bales—Q. Mitanand 14 bales—H. Meghji, 7 bales—M. Trikamlal. 70 bales—J. Kimatrai and Co 49 bales—R. A. Karim Bros Ltd. 33 bales—B. Sitaram. 36 bales—The Asokha Mehta Ltd, 7 bales—C. H. Bagumal. 12 bales—R. Javadutt. 10 bales—H. S. Suleman. 10 jottas fenal seed—D Dadabhoy and Co.

S.S. FATAMA

To Karachi: 5 bags cardamums—11 Essak. 10 bags chanoti leaves—A. P. S. Rahimtulla Bros. 100 bags soft stone powder—A. G. Haned. 418 bags soft stone powder—H. A Ahmed. 152 bags tamarind, 15 bags soap gool, 14 bags soap nuts—H. S. Rahimtulla and Sons. 50 baskets turmeric A. S. Rahimtulla Bros. 9 baskets turmeric—H. O. Khamose. 8 bags soap good—H. A. M. Adamji 15 bags cardam—H. Essak.

S. S. DUMPA

To Busrah—100 bags tamarind—J. M. Madan and Co.

CITY OF DELHI.

To Liverpool—100 bales cotton raw—Podar Trading Co. Ltd.

S. S. STEEL DESIGNER.

To Philadelphia:—35 bales raw wool—The Bombay Co. Ltd. 148 bags gum karaya—Shantidas Damji.

S.S. CILICIA

To Liverpool:—1100 bales raw cotton—Ralli Bros. Ltd. 200 bales cotton packings—National Overseas Trading.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

"EAGLESDALE" arrived from Abadan, on April 18, with 11120 tons of light Diesh Oil (A.I.O.C.)

"COSSIPORE" arrived from Cochin on April 17, with 830 tons of general cargo (Banadur & Co.)

"H. H." arrived from Rotterdam, on April 17 with some general cargo (Volkart).

"LIMBURG" arrived from Busrah, on April 18 with 4500 tons of grain, dates, oil, copra etc. (Volkart).

"WILLIAM KENDRICK" arrived from Rastamura, on April 18, in ballast. (Lionel Edwards).

"PURNEA" arrived from Karachi, on April 18 with 6155 tons of general cargo (M.M.)

"BHARATJAL" arrived from Bhavnagar on April 18, with 7234 tons of salt and 64 tons of ghee and onions. (Bharat Line)

"BHARATKUMAR" arrived from Tuticorin on April 17 with 748 tons of general cargo (Bharat Line.)

"DWARKA" arrived from Busrah, on April 18, with 445 passengers and 21 tons of general cargo (M.M.)

"JALAVEERA" arrived from Bhavnagar, on April 18, with 3623 tons of general cargo (Narottam Morarji & Co.)

"SOCOTRA arrived from London, on April 18, with 4621 tons of general cargo (M.M.)

"PERSEPHONE arrived from Nuochea on April 19, with 7234 tons of Basley (Morrisons)

"COWASJEE" arrived from Aden, on April 17, in ballast, (Cowasji Dinshaw Bros.)

"RIZWANI" arrived from Karachi on April 17 with 524 passengers (M.M.)

"IRRAWADI arrived from Bhavnagar, on April 19, with 231 passengers and 986 tons of general cargo (Bombay Steam).

SAILINGS

"SONAVALI sailed for Karachi, on April 16, with 347 passengers.

"YORBALINDA sailed for Abadan, on April 17, in ballast.

M.S. "VAV" sailed for Abadan on April 17, in ballast.

"BHARATBALA" sailed for Porbandar on April 17, with 489 tons of general cargo.

"ARONDA sailed for Durban, on April 17 with 843 passengers and 255 tons of general cargo.

"ROWANBANK sailed for Calcutta on April 18, with 4000 tons of general cargo.

"STANVAC CALCUTTA sailed for Abadan, on April 18 in ballast.

"ABDERAMIN sailed for Rotterdam, on April 18 with 1179 tons of general cargo

"MUTLAH sailed for Calcutta, on April 17 with 3400 tons of general cargo.

"FLYING ARROW" sailed for Yokohama, on April 17, with 7500 tons of general cargo

"EURYMEDON" sailed for Rangoon, on April 17, with 1586 tons of general cargo.

"TARANTIA" sailed for Liverpool, on April 18 with 3612 tons of general cargo.

"KALAVATI sailed for Bhavnagar, on April 17, with 324 passengers and 907 tons of general cargo.

"NETROVATI sailed for Okha, on April 18, with 141 passengers and 816 tons of general cargo

State Of "Corner" In Cotton Futures Market Declared

BOMBAY, April 19.

The requisition sent by members of the East India Cotton Association demanding the declaration of a corner in the cotton futures market was to put to vote today. The result showes 175 members in favour and 188 against. The Board shall day to day until the emergency shall fix at an end spot rates and "on" and "off" allowances for staple of all cotton and in fixing spot rates shall take into consideration (1) the ruling prices of similar styles (2) the prices of cotton in the interior markets, and (3) ruling rates of succeeding deliveries

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, April 19.

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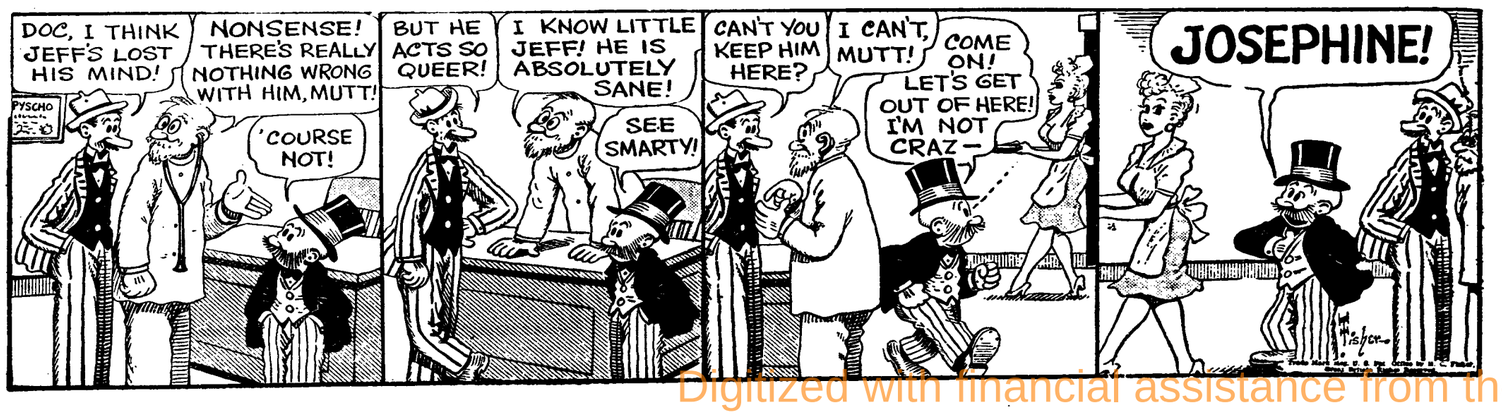
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PUBLIC NOTICES

B.B. & C.I. RLY.

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ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (8194)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

THE SPECIAL ENGINEER invites tenders for the dismantling of the existing four pumps at the Dadar Purification Works and for the supply and erection, in their places, of four electrically-driven vertical spindle pumps, each of 4 million gallons per day capacity, with the necessary electrical equipment. Tenders will be received upto 1 P.M. (Bombay Time) on Friday, the 20th August 1948.

Forms of tender, blue print, specification will be issued by the Mechanical Engineer on payment of Rs. 5 - per set to any one deputed to receive them. The Mechanical Engineer will, on application at his office at the Municipal Workshops, Foras Road, Bombay, give any further information that may be required.

By order of the MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER. (8186)

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

SEALED TENDERS are again invited from registered C.P.W.D., contractors and also from firms of standing on the line for the work of "Installation of obstruction lights on Mill Chimneys in the vicinity of Ahmedabad Aerodrome" consisting of the following work:

(a) Structural work for the fabrication and erection of steel ladders and platform for seven Mill Chimneys and one Hospital Chimney at an approximate cost of Rs. 32,000/-

(b) Provision of obstruction lights on Mill Chimneys and Hospital Chimney (Electrical portion) at an approximate cost of Rs. 26,000/-

Copies of Tender documents can be had from the undersigned on any working day between 11 A.M. and 4 P.M. and from 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. on Saturdays from 26th April 1948. The last date for the receipt of tenders is 14th May 1948 (up to 12 noon on that day). Copies of tender for each work can be had on a payment of Rs. 5/- per copy

(Sd.) A. J. RAJU, Electrical Engineer, Aviation Electrical Division, CPWD., Bombay. R.A.F. Barracks, Vile Parle P.O., Bombay 24. (8185)

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G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ALEMBIC CHEMICAL WORKS CO. LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the members of the Alembic Chemical Works Company Ltd., will be held at the Office of the Company at Baroda on MONDAY, the 17th day of May, 1948 at 11 a.m. (S.T.) or soon after the Ordinary General Meeting is over to consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modifications the following resolutions as Special Resolutions:—

1. That a sum of Rs. 5,00,000/- being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund Account of the Company, be capitalized and that a Special Capital Bonus of Rs. 5,00,000/- free of income-tax, be declared and distributed to the holders of the Ordinary Shares of the Company and that such Bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 17th day of May, 1948 were holders of 20,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company in payment in full of 5,000 New Ordinary Shares of the Company of Rs. 100/- each and that the said 5,000 New Ordinary Shares credited as fully paid up and ranking for dividend from the 1st day of January, 1949 be accordingly allotted to such persons in the proportion of one such share for every four Ordinary Shares then held by them and that all shares so distributed and allotted as aforesaid shall be treated for all purposes as an increase in the nominal amount of the capital of the Company held by each such shareholder or by any authorised person or persons on their behalf and not as income.

That as to persons holding ordinary shares not divisible by four, as fractional share certificate of 1|4th share be issued per each ordinary share. The holder of four such fractional share certificates will be entitled on application made in writing in the approved form signed by him on or before 30th September, 1948 or such extended date as the Directors may fix and accompanied by the delivery of such four fractional share certificates, to be allotted one aforesaid Ordinary Share. But the Directors at their discretion shall have power in a fit and proper case to allot ordinary shares in exchange of fractional share certificates even after the expiry of the fixed period and the Directors may settle any question or difficulty which may arise in regard to such distribution.

Such fractional Share Certificates as are not delivered to the Company in manner aforesaid within the time above described or such extended period as aforesaid, will not entitle the holders thereof to have an allotment of aforesaid shares or to any other right in respect thereof and the Company shall be entitled to treat such fractional share certificates as cancelled and/or the Company shall also be entitled to sell in any manner it likes such fractional share certificates as are not handed over to it for allotment of equivalent shares and shall do so at the risk and costs of the holders thereof and shall credit the net proceeds of the fractional share certificates so sold, to the credit of the persons to whom they are issued and shall on delivery to the company of such outstanding fractional share certificates and on proper proof being given pay to the holders of fractional share certificates such proceeds after deducting expenses of sale. Before effecting the said sale, the Company shall give a notice in some newspaper circulating in Bombay and Baroda about the intended sale.

The fractional share certificate shall not carry any right to receive any dividend or to receive any notice of or to attend or to vote at any meeting of the Company not to any other right of membership.

The aforesaid shares shall carry a right of dividend from 1-1-1949.

2. Having regard to the issue of the ordinary shares, the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association of the company.

That the second part of Article 3 be replaced as under:—

"The Issued Capital of the Company consists of Rs. 25,00,000— divided into 25,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 100/- each, 5000, 6¼% Cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 100/- each and 5000, 5% (free of Income-tax) Redeemable Cumulative Preference Shares of Rs. 100/- each".

3. That Article 102 of the Articles of Association of the Company be amended by adding the word "ordinary" between the word "fifty" and the word "shares" in the third line.

4. That clause 2(d) of the Managing Agency Agreement dated 17th March, 1945 entered into between Messrs. Bhailal Amin & Sons Ltd., and the Company be replaced by the following:—

"The Company shall pay to the Managing Agents the commission mentioned in Sub-clause (b) within 30 days of the passing of the Annual Accounts of the Company: and the commission on Sales mentioned in Sub-clause (a) shall be paid monthly to the extent of 3% on the monthly sales and the balance, if due under-clause (a) shall be paid at the same time as the commission under Sub-clause (b)".

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 7th May, 1948 to MONDAY, the 17th May, 1948, both days inclusive

By Order of the Board, For BHAILAL AMIN & SONS LTD., Managing Agents, RAMAN B. AMIN, Managing Director.

2nd April, 1948. 8184A

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Ministry of Industry and Supply

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	(b) Primer Yellow Green Camouflage Part No. 425-1172.	90 ,,	
II.	Light stone dulux	25000 ,,	Rs. 21900/-
III.	(a) Rear Axle Lubricants Part No. 28.	30250 ,,	Rs. 26,800/-
	(b) Gray Motor enamel Part No. 471-7596.	53 ,,	Rs. 26,800/-
	(c) Gray dipping Primer Part No. 475-7615.	2544 ,,	Rs 26,800/-
	(d) Clear Chrome Baking Primer Part No. RK-3026.	689 ,,	Rs. 26,800/-
	(e) Putty—Part No. 53-40018.	15 ,,	Rs. 26,800/-
	(f) Vanite Powder Part No 140.	2304 Lbs.	Rs 26800/-
	(g) Vanite Powder Part No 137	4511 ,,	Rs. 26800/-
	(h) Metallite Disc. 24.	10000 Nos.	Rs. 26800/-
	(i) Metallite Disc. 36.	9339 ,,	Rs. 26800/-
IV.	Gray Sanding Surfacer Part No. 66-2304.	1007 Gls.	Rs. 26700/-
V.	(a) Gray Motor enamel Part No. 471-7596.	410 ,,	Rs. 6730/-
	(b) Light stone Dulux Part No. 71-053.	2320 ,,	Rs. 6730/-
VI.	Gray Dipping Primer Part No. 475-7615.	1885 ,,	Rs. 8210/-
VII.	(a) P.F.U. Matt finish for Rubber and Textile	30 ,,	Rs.1610/-
	(b) Retinted light stone to bark Drab Shade No. 207.	600 ,,	Rs. 1610/-
	(c) Clear Chrome Baking Primer.	130 ,,	Rs.1610/-
	(d) Copal varnish	91 ,,	Rs. 1610/-
VIII	(a) Paint Prepared for use: 1|62A. Dark Brown (Specification No. I. T. 288)	146000 lbs.	Rs 25000/-
	(b) 4|62 Dark Brown (Specification No I.T 602)	217000 ,,	Rs. 25000/-

LOCATION:—

LOTS NO. 1 to 7 GENERAL MOTORS (INDIA) LTD., BOMBAY.

LOTS NO. 8 AMMUNITION FACTORY, KIRKEE.

Superscribed Reference: Tender No. RCS|21338|MS for lots No. 1 to 7, and RCS|20214|MS for lot No. 8.

Last date due by 4 p.m. on 7-5-1948.

Stores must be removed within 21 days of date of issue of sale release order.

Tender forms can be obtained from this Office on payment of Rs. 5|- per set (Not refundable) i.e. Rs. 10/- for the two sets of tenders.

Offers should be sent on tender forms enclosed in double covers, the inner to be sealed and superscribed with the above reference number and should remain open for acceptance for 30 days from the date of offer. Earnest Money (refundable to unsuccessful tenderers) of 10% of the value of offers should be deposited in the Government Treasury or Reserve|Imperial Bank of India under head of accounts "Revenue Deposits" in favour of Regional Commissioner (Disposals), Bombay. Tenders not accompanied by such Treasury|Bank receipts will be ignored. Cheques will not be accepted.

No guarantee is given of the quantity, quality or suitability of the above stores. Sale will be subject to the condition of contract Con. 117 obtainable at this Office.

Permits to view the stores at site can be obtained from this Office. 8188

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ALEMBIC CHEMICAL WORKS CO., LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Share-holders of the Alembic Chemical Works Company Limited will be held at the Office of the Company at Baroda on MONDAY, the 17th May, 1948, at 10-30 a.m. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' report and audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December, 1947.
2. To declare Dividends on 6¼% C.P. and 5% Redeemable C. P. Shares.
3. To elect Directors in the place of those who retire from the office by rotation, but are eligible for re-election, and to confirm the appointment of Dr. Mangaldas J Shah as a Director.
4. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will remain CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 7th May, 1948 to MONDAY, the 17th May, 1948 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, For Bhailal Amin & Sons Ltd., Managing Agents. RAMAN B. AMIN, Managing Director.

2nd April, 1948.

NOTE—The Dividends on 6¼% C.P. and 5% Redeemable C.P. Shares when sanctioned will be made payable at the Office of the Company at Baroda, on or after the 1st June, 1948 to those shareholders whose names stand on the Register of the Company on the 17th May, 1948 and to whom the Dividend Warrants will be posted.

The Shareholders are requested to notify, at once, any change of address. 8184

THE TATA IRON & STEEL CO. LIMITED. JAMSHEDPUR.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of Time Study Men in the newly formed Industrial Engineering Departmeht of Messrs. The Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Jamshedpur. Starting rate Rs 300/- per month. Essential qualifications required are—A University Graduate with a Degree in Engineering—First or Second Class only. Candidates with two years or more practical experience in an Industrial concern are preferred. Selected candidates will be trained in the following branches of Industrial Engineering. (a) Work Measurement (b) Job Evalution, (c) Methods Analysis (d) Incentive Plans and (e) Work simplification. Promotion will be by merit with excellent possibility for advancement for qualified men.

Selected candidates will be on probation for a period of six months. They will be entitled to dearness and other allowances, the profit-sharing bonus, benefits of provident fund, leave etc, according to the rules and regulations of the Steel Company, as applicable from time to time to the employees of the Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.

Applicants should submit, to the Assistant Director of Personnel (Employments) BY THE 30TH APRIL, 1948, the following information:—

1. Name in full.
2. Age.
3. Education commencing from Matriculation—give class obtained and year.
4. Single or married.
5. Experience — give complete description of duties including supervisory experiences.
6. Present salary.
7. Technical Interest. (8190)

NOTICE

THE PUBLIC ARE INFORMED that from SATURDAY the 24th April to MONDAY, the 26th April, 1948, the following roads will be closed to vehicular traffic and reserved for public purposes between the hours of 10 a.m. and 12 mid-night on account of the All-India Congress Committee Sessions:—

'D' ROAD alongside Lloyds Reclamation Ground, entirely closed to vehicular traffic.

'A' 'B' & 'C' ROADS from their junctions with 'E' ROAD to their junctions with MARINE DRIVE shall be closed to east-bound vehicular traffic i.e., no entry from Marine Drive.

'E' ROAD from its junction with 'C' ROAD to its junction with CHURCHGATE STREET shall be closed to south-bound vehicular traffic, i.e., entry only from Churchgate Street.

That portion of 'E' ROAD from its junction with 'C' ROAD to its junction with 'D' ROAD shall be closed to vehicular traffic.

PARKING:—

Cars of visitors to the A.I.C.C. Sessions will be parked on the open plots of ground between 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' Roads.

No cars will be permitted to park on Marine Drive, north of Churchgate Street, as usual.

This order is made under the provisions of section 23(4) of the Bombay City Police Act IV of 1902.

J. S BHARUCHA, Commissioner of Police

Head Police Office: Bombay, 19th April, 1948.

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE TATA IRON & STEEL CO. LIMITED. JAMSHEDPUR.

APPLICATIONS are invited from Medical Graduates for the post of Assistant Medical Officer for the Medical Department, Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Jamshedpur.

The post carries a salary of Rs. 200/- in the scale of Rs. 200-20-300 with free unfurnished quarters or 10 per cent of salary in lieu thereof.

The selected candidates will be eligible for leave, provident fund, profit-sharing bonus and dearness allowances. Private practice will be allowed provided it does not interfere with official duties.

Applications stating age, medical registration number etc., with copies of three recent testimonials, should reach the Assistant Director of Personnel (Employment), Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Jamshedpur, on or before THE 5TH MAY, 1948. (8189)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF 19 CASES TOILET PREPARATIONS

Under instructions from the Bank concerned M/s Bennett & Co. will on Friday, 23rd. inst. at 11 A.M. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at their rooms:- 19 Cases Toilet Preparations comprising hair & hand cream complexion milk, talcum Powder, vanishing cold & foundation cream, perfumes etc. Terms 25 per cent Cash Deposit.

BENNETT & CO.

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE of All-stock-in-trade of "JAIN GADI BHANDAR" & "KUTCHHI PROVISION STORES" including Singer Sewing Machine, Cotton Mattresses, clothings, etc., toor, gram, Moong Dal, Ghee, Telli, Gur, Sugar, Tea, Soap, Rose water, Kanda, Potatoes, salt, Scales, Weights, copper and brass vessels, Stove, and other Provision stores with goodwill on Thursday, 22nd Inst. at 12-30 P.M. (S.T.) at the abovenamed Shops, Plot No. 57, opp. Ranade Road Corner, Gokhale Road, Dadar (B.B.) under instructions from M/S Rustomji & Ginwalla, Attorneys for M/S M. C. Mehta Mortgagees, and on a c & at risk of Hansraj Khimji, Keshavji Khimji, Gorbai Hansraj the Mortgagors who are running the business, under the abovenamed shops.

Terms: 25:p.c. cash deposit.

AUCTION SALE of about 5¼ lacs yds. Silk Tap including 4 lacs yds. Silk Tap 5 16" and 1¼ lacs Yds. Silk Tap 11" on Friday, 23rd Inst. at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) at our Rooms at 72, Medows Street, Fort, under instructions from the Party concerned.

Terms: 25 p.c. cash deposit.

GANDHI & CO.

Under instructions from the B.B. and C.I. Railway and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act No. IX of 1890, MENESSE & CO will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, the 5th May, 1948 at 2 p.m. (S.T.) at Carnac Bridge, Goods Depot, Unclaimed unbooked and booked packages such as machinery, drums, iron & Wooden articles, medicine, wooden casks, etc. etc.

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STATEMENT OF POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 1947.

LIABILITIES

		Rs.
CAPITAL — Authorised	...	8,00,00,000
Subscribed	...	4,00,00,000
Paid up	...	2,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	...	40,00,000
Deposits	...	34,55,45,000
Due to Banks and Correspondents	...	3,82,63,000
Branch Adjustments	...	1,29,84,000
Acceptances for Customers	...	2,46,81,000
Bills for Collection	...	2,55,55,000
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT :		
Balance on 31-12-46	... 30,30,000	
Less Appropriations	26,50,000	
Brought forward	3,80,000	
Profit for 1947	... 36,22,000	
	40,02,000	
Less : Transfers to Reserve Fund, Reserve for Taxation and Bonus to Staff	... 22,50,000	17,52,000
Total	...	47,27,60,000

ASSETS

Cash on hand and with Banks	...	5,24,01,000
Investments in Govt. Securities	...	22,95,54,000
Investments in Imperial & Reserve Bank Shares	...	21,95,000
Loans, Advances and Bills purchased	...	13,65,74,000
Customers Liability on acceptances	...	2,46,81,000
Bills Receivable	...	2,55,55,000
Furniture, Fixtures, etc.	...	18,20,000
Total	...	47,27,60,000

Chairman G. D. BIRLA

Dy. General Managers V. R. SONALKER, S. T. SADASIVAN

General Manager B. T. THAKUR

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